



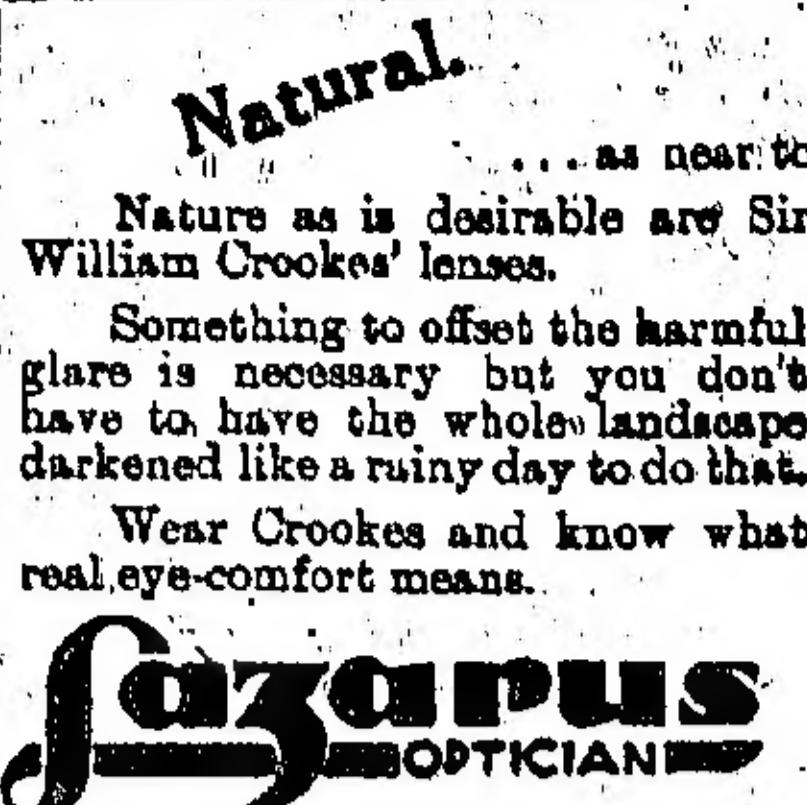
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CAVALRY tanks in France manoeuvring over the roughest of country. Note the apparently awkward position of the one down, a steep bank on the right. The tanks are named after famous steeplechase winners. The one prominent on the left is called Ally Sloper after a Grand National winner.

FIRST ENGAGEMENT BETWEEN THE BRITISH AND GERMAN TROOPS IN NORWAY REPORTED OF TRONDHEIM: NAZIS REPULSED NEAR NAMSOS

NEUTRALS ASKED TO MAKE STAND

ENCOURAGEMENT FROM ALLIES

LONDON, Apr. 19 (Reuters)—Allied successes in Norway are encouraging to neutrals and will harden their will to resist, and the press of most countries are asking neutrals to make a stand against aggression.

Among the few countries which have not accepted the Allied successes in the North is Italy

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Norwegians Holding Out At Trogstad And Hoytorp Forts

STOCKHOLM, Apr. 19 (Reuters)—THE DAGENS NYHETER CORRESPONDENT ON THE SWEDISH FRONTIER SAYS THAT THE FIRST ENGAGEMENT BETWEEN BRITISH AND GERMAN TROOPS IN NORWAY was reported near the Namsos railhead, north of Trondheim, and resulted in the Germans being driven back.

The correspondent adds that the Germans were a detachment taken by air from Vaernes Aerodrome, near Trondheim.

In the Oslo area the Germans are now 12 miles from Hamar, at Mjøsæa, and will spread from there to the west. It is reported here that all harbours from Arendal to Stavanger are in German hands.

The Germans in Kristiansand are reported to be manning captured Norwegian batteries and mounting new batteries. They are also reported to have advanced 35 miles northward from Kristiansand and reached the important road junction at Evje.

The Norwegians are holding out in the fortresses at Trogstad and Hoytorp, near Fossum.

The situation at Bergen is reported to be unchanged.

According to reports reaching here a detachment of Germans marched southwards from Trondheim but was unable to progress and returned to Trondheim.

“HOLDING FORTRESS

The Norwegians are holding the Hæga fortress, where air attacks troubled them little as the fort is made of thick granite. The Germans bombarded the port with field guns but made slight impression.

Correspondents of Swedish newspapers report that sabotage is frequent around Oslo. Organised military resistance has ceased but there are detachments of Norwegians armed with old-fashioned weapons in the woods.

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NORWEGIAN RESISTANCE HARDENING

PARIS, Apr. 19 (Reuters)—Well-informed military circles referring to operations in Norway, say that things are going well.

They point out that the Norwegians have mobilised successfully and their resistance is hardening and added that the Germans have made little progress in the last 48 hours.

According to available information, the Norwegian defence line now runs through Elverum, Hamar and along the banks of Lake Mjøsæa to Sprillen, north of Hønefoss.

The Germans have thus made no perceptible advance northward. The position in the south is regarded as not unfavourable.

Reynaud Govt. Strengthened

PARIS, Apr. 19 (Reuters)—The successful conduct of war operations by the Allies in Norway has strengthened M. Reynaud's Government in France.

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“LAST QUARTER” LEADS THE FIELD WITH SELECTIONS FOR TODAY’S RACE MEETING

The final selections for the Fourth Extra Race Meeting, to be held at the Race Course this afternoon, are as follows:

RACE 1 (2 P.M.)

Distinctive Time 1

Arabian Cat 1

Lancashire Chap 2

Eve of Folly 3

RACE 2 (2.30 P.M.)

Franklin 1

Twilight Star 2

Centre Court 3

RACE 3 (3 P.M.)

Clember 1

White Diamond 2

Possible 3

RACE 4 (3.30 P.M.)

Avon 1

Bear Claw 2

Conquering Time 3

RACE 5 (4 P.M.)

Portrush 1

Willynilly 2

Smiling Time 3

DAILY DOUBLE

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FAIR CHANCE

ITALIAN ACTION AGAINST DALMATIA PREDICTED

Special to H. K. Daily Press

LONDON, Apr. 19 (Havas)—Many quarters in London openly predict Italian action against Dalmatia within the next few days while the majority of political observers are of the opinion that Italian action against Yugoslavia would mean a general war in the Mediterranean.

Meanwhile, Berlin and Rome are reported to be exerting strong pressure upon Spain, aiming to provoke a radical change in Madrid's policy. However, it is generally not believed that Spain would forsake her neutrality in the near future.

Sir Percy Lorraine, British Ambassador to Italy, is expected to return to Rome shortly. He will then question the Italian Government about its immediate intentions.

The uncertainty of the Italian attitude explains the drastic precautions taken by the Allies all along the Mediterranean, particularly in Egypt and Allies protectorates and mandates.

ALLIES MAY EMPLOY TACTICS OF NORTH-WEST FRONTIER

LONDON, Apr. 19 (Reuters)—Reuter's military correspondent writes: "Reports state that the Norwegian forces at Staenker, some 70 miles north of Trondheim, have contacted with the British and that the German General Weiss has thrown out three defensive lines in the direction of Namsos.

"At all costs, Gen. Weiss wants to control the Trondheim-Oslo railway but, before he can do this, he must defeat the Norwegian forces at Staenker which is Norway's Aldershot.

"It is possible that the Allies may employ tactics of the North-West Frontier in their offensive. As a column moves, it sends pickets to guard the hills on each side of the road and such positions are held until the column passes."

ROADS FORSAKEN

"Should resistance be met the roads are forsaken and the entire force endeavours to outflank its enemy by skilful manoeuvre. This can only be accomplished when guides, who know every inch of the country, are available."

"The B.E.F. is fortunate in having these among the Norwegian forces."

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Full Details Of Attempts On Life Of King Haakon To Be Published In Norwegian White Book

Official Relates Bombing Of Cabinet Members

A NORWEGIAN OFFICIAL who has just arrived in England from Norway told Reuter, according to a report from London, he estimated that about 2,000 German troops were being landed at Oslo and Bergen daily by plane from Denmark.

The sea was no longer entirely free to the Germans but they were pouring in reinforcements by air.

The official said that attempts were made to kill King Haakon and his Cabinet.

He himself spent an hour at general headquarters, lying in a wood near Neubergsund only 50 yards from the King, while German planes bombed and machine-gunned members of the Cabinet and Parliament who were hiding in the wood.

Full details of these attempts on the King's life with other information will be given in a Norwegian White Book which is being prepared in London and which will be available today.

The Germans first bombed the King and his Government at Hamar, then at Elverum and finally at Neubergsund.

Now the Government was established in a more convenient place and was in complete control of the administration.

Mobilisation was proceeding well and young men, caught in German-occupied towns, were not attempting to escape to join the colours.

GREAT STRENGTH

Although the loss of Oslo, Bergen and Trondheim was a deep blow to the nation, the great strength of Norway lay in the countryside and it was there that the Government had control and recruiting was proceeding.

The Norwegian official said that too much attention had been paid to the alleged treachery by Norwegian officials. Much of this was

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W. G. PRYDE CHOSEN TO REPRESENT COLONY AGAINST SAIGON

Nine Chinese Among 14 Selected For Tour

W. G. Pryde, the youthful Club and Central British School forward, has been given Interport football recognition and will travel with the Hongkong team to Saigon next week. Pryde has proved himself a most useful inside forward and was chosen to play for Scotland against England in the International series.

Up to last night, the Hongkong Football Association had received replies from fourteen players who have accepted the invitation of the H.K.F.A. to play against Saigon.

Messrs. C.A. Goldenberg, Hon. Secretary of the H.K.F.A., and Mr. Wong Ka-tsun will be managers.

Many well-seasoned Interporters, among them Lee Tin-sang, Leung Wing-chiu and Fung King-cheong, are included among the fourteen players who are as follows:—

Lee Wai-tong (S. China "A") (Capt.);

Tom Kwan-kon (S. China "A"); Lee Tin-sang (S. China "A"); Fung King-cheong (S. China "A");

Soung Ling-sing (S. China "A"); Leung Wing-chiu (S. China "A"); Hau Yung-sang (S. China "B"); Lee Kwok-wai (Kwong Wah); Sammy Tsang (St. Joseph's); Bright (Middlesex); Guy (30th R.A.); Fox (Royal Engineers); W. G. Pryde (H.K.F.C.); and K.W. Forrow (H.K.F.C.).

Replies are awaited in respect of four other players who have been invited.

Of the players selected the following have appeared in Interport matches against Shanghai:—

Lee Wai-tong 1925, 1936, 1937; Lee Tin-sang 1931, 1935, 1937; Leung Wing-chiu 1933, 1935, 1936, 1937; Fung King-cheong 1929, 1931, 1937; Lee Kwok-wai 1936; Forrow 1940; Guy 1940.

The following were members of the Hongkong team which defeated Saigon by two goals to one at Caroline Hill on Feb.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FOURTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 20th April, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The first Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE. No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tiflins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No 1 Boy (Telephone 21920).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary

Hong Kong, 15th April, 1940.

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CONCLUDING ROUND MATCHES

HONGKONG AREA TUG - OF - WAR COMPETITION

The following is the draw for the Hongkong Area Athletic Meeting Tug of War Competition:—

110 Stone—(2nd Round): 8th Heavy Regiment R.A. v. 5th A.A. Regiment R.A.; 2nd Royal Scots v. 1/Seaford; 5/6 Rajputana Rifles v. 13th Heavy Regiment, R.A. H.K. Regiment, H.K.S.R.A. v. 1st Kumaon Rifles.

130 Stone—(1st Round): H.K. Regiment, H.K.S.R.A. v. 8th Heavy Regiment, R.A.; 5/6 Rajputana Rifles v. Details, 1/Seaford 2nd Royal Scots v. 12th Heavy Regt. R.A.

The semi-finals in the 110 Stone Class will be held on April 23, the semi-finals in the 130 Stone Class on April 24 and the finals on April 25.



Left to right—Lee Wai-tong, Lee Tin-sang, Leung Wing-chiu and Fung King-cheong who will travel with the Hongkong team to Saigon.

ACES - HONGKONG CLASH PUT BACK A WEEK

Canadian Lassies To Meet Recreio Tomorrow

BY R.O.Y.

Owing to several of the Portuguese players having to attend a Volunteer shoot, the eagerly awaited return clash, between the Recreio Aces and the Hongkong Ball Club, originally scheduled for tomorrow, has been postponed until April 28.

Local fans will not go entirely without their usual Sunday morning entertainment, however, as with the Presentation Night wind-up, but six days ahead, the potential champions of both the Men's and Ladies' leagues will play a match apiece of their outstanding fixtures. In a big effort to finish their schedules in order to decide, beyond any vestige of doubt, the final destinations of the Kwock Ying and Southard shields for the 1939/40 season.

At 10.30 a.m., the Canadian Chinese lassies will turn out against the Recreio girls, on the latter's ground, and should without much difficulty, garner the necessary two points which will give them the Ladies' championship, having been awarded the points, by Empire "Doc" Molthen, over the Baby Panthers last week when the latter could not field a team.

UNDER PROTEST. This award is, at present, under protest, but will not affect the final standings as I understand from a reliable source that the Wildcats will not fulfil their remaining fixtures owing to the Mar sisters' recent bereavement.

There is, of course, the possibility that the Recreio girls may bring off a surprise victory, in which case, the Canucks would have to defeat the Baby Panthers. If the league committee should order a replay, in order to confirm their claims to this season's pennant.

The Recreio Aces are in the happy position of having only one outstanding fixture, this against their clubmates, the Recreio Bees, which will be played at 2 p.m. With what are supposed to be the best players of the whole club, the Aces should run out easy winners and keep their unbeaten record intact.

VAST IMPROVEMENT.

The Bees, though, have shown vast improvement since the season began and are quite likely to offer the seniors plenty of opposition before the last put-out is made.

Apart from these two matches, no other games have been arranged, as the teams who have little chance of driving to one of the top positions appears to have lost all interest at the tail-end of what has been long drawn-out season.

HONG LEAGUE.

The Hong League, having got away to a late start, is not expected to complete its official schedule but is likely to stage the remaining games which have any bearing on the Hong champion-

YAUMATI GOVT. SCHOOL 22ND SPORTS MEET

The twenty-second annual athletic sports of the Yaumati Government School were held yesterday on the Central British School ground, Argyle Street, when keen competition was witnessed.

Among those present were Mr. G. W. Reeve (Headmaster), Mr. G. P. de Martin, M. B. E., and Mrs. de Martin who gave away the prizes.

The results were:

High Jump: Senior, 1. Chu Tak-chung, 2. Lo Chu-pang, 3. Lo Shu-tung. Height: 4 feet 9 inches. Junior: 1. Wong Wai-sun, 2. Au Yeung Chiu, 3. Chan Tak-ming.

100 Yards Flat Race: Senior, 1. Lai Pak-ngo, 2. Lo Chu-pang, 3. Tsui Ying-kwan. Junior: 1. Au Yeung Chiu, 2. Wong Wai-sun, 3. Yu Kam-chiu. Small Boys: 1. Tsui Yum-ming, 2. Yung Shau-jung, 3. Li Tak-wing.

Long Jump: Senior, 1. Lo Chu-pang, 2. Chan Yu-ke, 3. Lai Pak-ho. Distance: 16 feet 8 1/2 inches. Junior: Au Yeung Chiu, 2. Wong Wai-sun, 3. Cheng Wai-yun. Distance: 14 feet 10 inches.

Flag Race: 1. Tsui Yam-man, 2. Li Tak-ming, 3. Leung Kam-wai. Spoon and Egg Race: 1. Lo Wing-fat, 2. Chung Hon-kwong, 3. Leung Klin-wah.

440 Yards Flat Race: 1. Lai Pak-ho, 2. Lo Chu-pang, 3. Tsui Ying-kwan. Time: 64 seconds.

Junior: 1. Yu Kam-chiu, 2. Wong Wai-sun, 3. Au Yeung Chiu. Time: 65 seconds.

220 Yards Flat Race: 1. Tsui Yam-man, 2. Lo Wing-fat, 3. Poon Chu-wah. Half Mile Flat Race (Handicap): 1. Ho Yuk-yu, 2. Lai Pak-hing, 3. Cheung Pak-kin.

Three-Legged Race: 1. Chu Tak-chung and Chu Wai-ho; 2. Au Yeung Lin and Tsui Yam-man. Chan Tak-sing and Ho Han-leung. Past Pupils Race: 1. Chan Hong-kit, 2. Man Kwok-ying.

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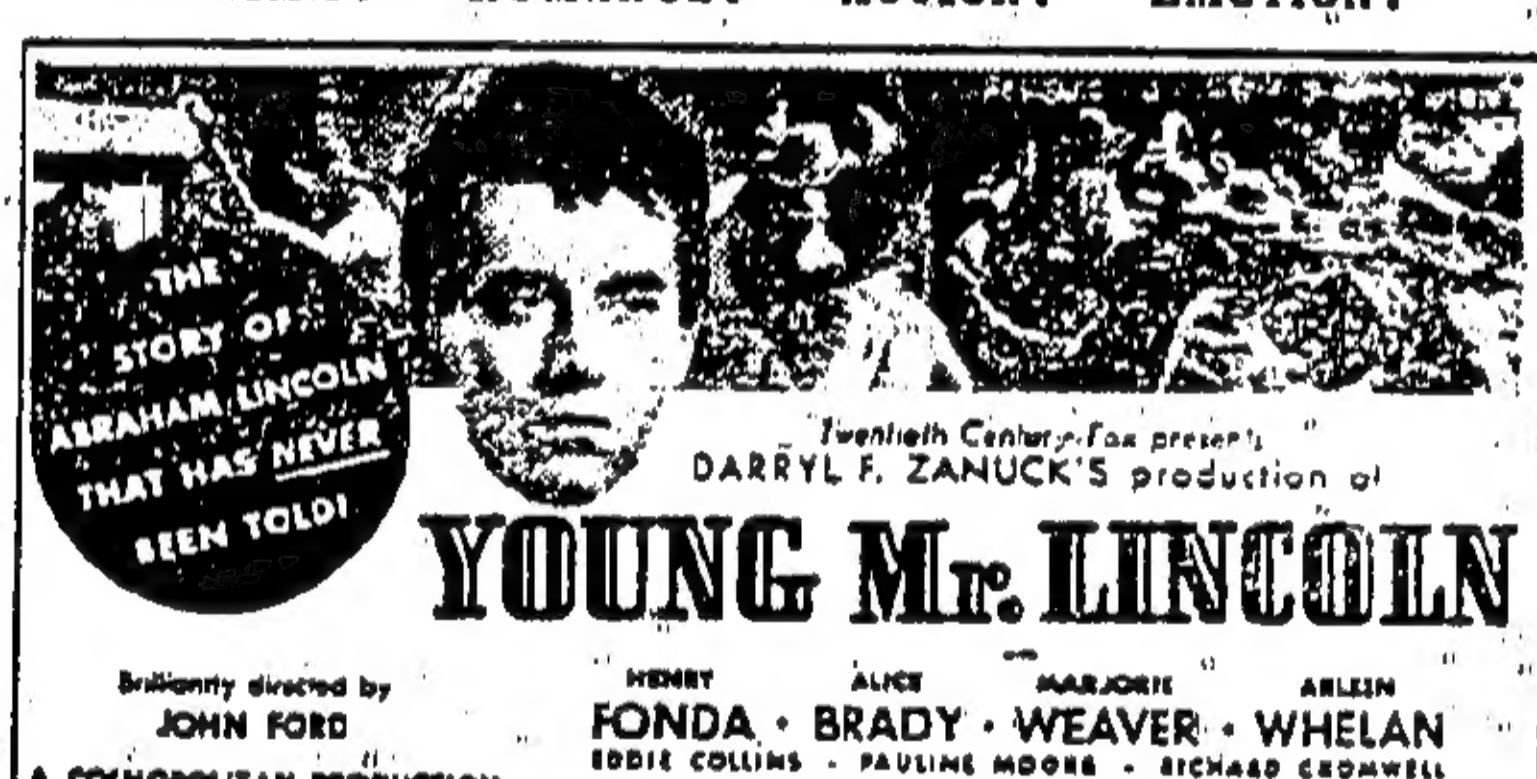
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Don Amache plays the part of Bell, Loretta Young as the lovely Mabel Hubbard, out of whose deafness came the inspiration for the telephone, and Henry Fonda as Thomas A. Watson, Bell's assistant.

Charles Coburn, Gene Lockhart, Spring Byington and Loretta Young's three sisters: Sally Blane, Polly Ann Young and Georgia Young, are featured in the film.

FINE FILM AT KING'S TODAY

"The Private Lives of Elizabeth and Essex," co-starring Bette Davis and Errol Flynn, will open at the King's Theatre today. The Warner Bros. production, has been hailed by critics as the season's most impressive offering, worthy to take its place with the finest screen achievements of all time.

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which Miss Bette Davis, universally

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1.15 London Relay—News Summary.

COMING EVENTS

20—Tides: High 7.50 a.m. and 8.20 p.m. Low 1.38 a.m. and 2 p.m.
Sunrise: 6 a.m.; Sunset: 6.45 p.m.
R.E.O.C.A. Supper Dance, Peninsula Hotel.
St. Andrew's Club, Hockey & Badminton Dinner, Church Hall, 7.30 p.m.
H.K. Jockey Club's Fourth Extra Race Meeting, 1.30 p.m.
Chinese-Australian Assn. Supper Dance, H.K. Hotel, 8.30 p.m.
Y.M.C.A.: Hockey Grand Finals, King's Park, 3 p.m.
Supreme Court: Criminal Sessions, 10 a.m.
"Barrel of Fun" at China Fleet Club Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
Chinese Play at Taiping Theatre in aid of B.W.O.F.
H.K. University: Exhibition of Paintings, 10 a.m.—8 p.m.
R.E.W.O.'s and Sergts' Mess: Whist Drive and Dance, 8.30 p.m.
Cottage Club Ride, 9.30 p.m.
Supreme Court: Criminal Sessions Open, 10 a.m.

21—Tides: High 8.00 a.m. and 8.18 p.m. Low 1.25 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.
Sunrise: 6 a.m.; Sunset: 6.46 p.m.
H.K. Gold Cup: Semi-finals of Adamson Cup due to be completed.
Football League: Champions v. Rest, Military Band Concert at Peninsula Hotel, 8 p.m.—11 p.m.

H.K. University: Exhibition of Paintings, 10 a.m.—6 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Discussion Group, 9 p.m.—Speaker: Mr. A. J. Partridge, Soccer: League Champions v. Rest, 22—Tides: High 8.08 a.m. and 10.12 p.m. Low 2.48 a.m. and 3.36 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.59 a.m.; Sunset: 6.47 p.m. Union Waterboat Co. Ltd. Annual Meeting, 11 a.m.

St. Patrick's Hall, Garden Road: Lecture by Rev. W. P. MacDonagh "The Middle Ages," 5.30 p.m.
Crown Land Sale, P.W.D. 3 p.m.
Badminton Singles finals, Club de Recreio, 3.30 p.m.

St. Andrew's Church Hall, "Movie Shots of England and America," 8.15 p.m. (for Members and friends of St. Andrew's Club).

Entries close for H.K. Tennis League.

H.K. University: Exhibition of Paintings, 10 a.m.—6 p.m.
Y.M.C.A.: War Work, 10 a.m.; Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.

23—Army Inter-Unit Athletic Meet, Polo Ground, 2.30 p.m.
Inter-School Sports, Caroline Hill, D.O.C.A. Annual Mtg., 5.30 p.m.
Ladies Golf: Scotland v. Rest, Fanning.

St. John's Cathedral Hall: Diocesan Conference, 5.30 p.m.

Opening of New Building of H.K. Red Swastika Society, Eastern Terrace, Causeway Bay, 3 p.m.

H.K. University: Exhibition of Paintings, 10 a.m.—6 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Contract Bridge Class, 10 a.m.; General Meeting of Swimming Section, 6 p.m.; Badminton and Mixed Swimming, 8 p.m.

H.K. Rotary Club: Annual Mtg., 1 p.m.—Speaker: Dr. J. H. Montgomery.

24—Army Inter-Unit Athletic Meet, Polo Ground, 9 a.m.

St. Paul's Girls' College Anniversary Celebrations, 5 p.m.

Macao Electric Lighting Co. Ltd., Annual Mtg., Lowe, Bingham and H.K. University: Exhibition of Paintings, 11.30 a.m.

10 a.m.—6 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Badminton (all day).

Badminton Doubles and Mixed Doubles, Final, K.O.C., 8.30 p.m.

25—Army Inter-Unit Athletic Meet, Polo Ground, 2.30 p.m.

H.K. Eugenics League, Annual Mtg., Gloucester Bldg., 6 p.m.

H.K. Canton and Macao Steamboat Co. Ltd. Annual Meeting, 12 noon.

H.K. University: Exhibition of Paintings, 10 a.m.—6 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Games Morning, 10 a.m.

Legislative Council Meeting, 2.30 p.m.

26—Softball League, Presentation Night Dance.

Inter-School Sports (Finals), Carline Hill.

Referees' Assn. Dance, Hotel Cecil.

R.A.O.C. Monthly Meeting—Speaker: Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell on "Meanings of Place Names in H.K. Diocesan Old Girls Assn. General Meeting and Dinner, 7.30 p.m.

Cheerio Club: Concert, 9 p.m.

H.K. University: Exhibition of Paintings, 10 a.m.—6 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Badminton and Mixed Swimming from 6 p.m.

Annual R.A. Golf Meeting at Fanning.

Victoria Recreation Club, Annual Meeting, 6 p.m.

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ROYAL NAVY BOMBARDS
SHORE OBJECTIVESNazi 'Drome Pounded By
Steady Rain Of Shells

LONDON, April 19 (Reuter)—For the first time since 1918 British naval guns have gone into action against an objective ashore.

Recalling the bombardment of Gallipoli just twenty-five years ago this month, the guns of H.M. ships off the Norwegian coast poured a rain of shells into the Nazi airport outside Stavanger at dawn on Wednesday.

The naval bombardment was preceded by two heavy aerial attacks by British bombers. The main aerial raid was carried out at dawn, the British planes thoroughly bombing the runway and some transport planes on the edge of the field.

Simultaneously with this aerial bombardment, the guns of the British warships went into action.

AN EASY TARGET

The aerodrome provided an easy target for the warships, which stood out at sea and methodically poured a hall of heavy-calibre shells into the German positions.

The aerodrome, which is some miles from the city of Stavanger, is on a plateau facing the sea.

The only buildings in the immediate vicinity are hangars and offices.

One of the planes of the Coastal Command co-operated with the Navy in the bombardment of the airport, acting as "spotter" for the warships' signalling by radiophones as each shell burst.

80-MINUTE BOMBARDMENT

The warships were able to find their target by fires, which were earlier started by incendiary bombs dropped by British planes.

The bombardment lasted altogether for 80 minutes.

As the British warships were steaming away after the bombardment ended they were attacked by German bombers. One British cruiser was hit by a bomb and was slightly damaged. It managed to continue home without help.

Earlier, R.A.F. machines bombed Trondheim aerodrome, dropping heavy bombs and starting a fire.

An adjoining Nazi seaplane base was also bombed.

In the course of a short address, Generalissimo Chiang expressed appreciation of the donations from the overseas Chinese for war relief.

The Delegation visited the Central Party Headquarters in the afternoon, and later called on Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government. They were honoured at a dinner given by Chairman Lin.

PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY
ELECTIONS

CHUNGKING, April 19 (Central)—With the National People's Assembly fixed for November 12, and the time limit for the election of delegates set at the end of June the Election Office is accelerating its work.

Delegates from many provinces and municipalities were already elected prior to the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities. Those who passed away or have joined the Wang Ching-wei puppet regime will be replaced.

Difficulty is expected in election in some of the Japanese "occupied" areas but remedial measures will be devised.

AMERICAN PLANES
FOR ALLIES

WASHINGTON, April 19 (Reuter)—Mr. Arthur Purvis, head of the Anglo-French Purchasing Commission, announced that contracts were signed in New York yesterday for "huge quantities" of Curtiss Pursuit Planes and Douglas Bombers, and added that another contract has been concluded and will be signed immediately for a type of plane which Mr. Purvis did not reveal the identity, but which is one of the remaining late types of planes released for foreign sale by the War Department last week.

Solution No. 586

ACROSS: 4, Tadpole; 8, Minute; 9, Village; 11, Extort; 14, Nil; 15, Hates; 17, Niece; 18, Tier; 19, Moped; 21, Apron; 25, Alter; 28, Paled; 27, Hovel; 28, Strap; 30, Roe; 32, Satire; 33, Capitol; 34, Signet; 35, Pellets.

DOWN: 1, Amnesty; 2, Another; 3, Start; 5, Akin; 6, Pallid; 7, Legacy; 10, Linen; 12, Gar; 13, Tempt; 16, Sores; 20, Ports; 21, Allot; 22, Sapient; 23, Adverts; 24, Rotate; 25, Aerial; 26, Pat; 29, Rabid; 31, Coat.

GENERAL

New Danube
ControlLONDON WELCOMES
PRECAUTIONS

LONDON, April 19 (Reuter)—The decision of the International Commission on the Danube to institute special precautions to control traffic on the Danube has been well received in London, writes Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

It is important not only from an economic and maritime point of view in ensuring the Riverine states and into the Black Sea, but also because of the political implications.

An important decision affecting the common interests of the Riverine states was reached unanimously, Hungarians and Rumanians agreeing with the Yugoslavs and Bulgarians in the defence of their rights in their own waters, and in the determination of keeping them free from influence or actions of belligerents.

This does not include any German planes brought down by the Fleet Air Arm, nor the great number of machines that must have been damaged or destroyed during the Air Force raids on Stavanger and the Fleet bombardment of that port.

AIR FORCE
LOSSESMINISTRY MAKES
STATEMENT

LONDON, April 19 (Reuter)—It is learned that between April 7 and 17, the Air Force lost twenty-two planes as announced by the Air Ministry.

According to figures compiled from official and reliable neutral reports during the same period, at least twenty-eight German aircraft are known to have been destroyed and a further nineteen so badly damaged that they probably did not reach their bases.

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Lesson From
NorwayOTHER NEUTRALS
TOLD TO TAKE HEED

LONDON, April 19 (Reuter)—Commenting on the lesson Norway has provided for other neutrals, the Manchester Guardian says that we have been astonished at the events in Norway, at the treachery of the attack from within and at the easy seizure of the important points because no one thought it necessary to protect them.

The Manchester Guardian also mentions an order which was purported to have come from the Norwegian Foreign Minister which caused the Norwegian Fleet to land its crews, offer no resistance and throw away the strong defences of the Oslo Fjord.

Just because the Norwegian expedition was a sheer madness, the Nazis had been able to surprise us, concludes the Manchester Guardian, land unopposed and dig themselves in.

The paper admonishes the other neutrals to heed the warning.

Gayda At It
AgainTHIS TIME ABOUT
COLLABORATION!ROME, April 19 (Reuter)—Italy's Mediterranean policy is not a policy of domination, but of collaboration with all Powers, and primarily with the Mediterranean nations, writes Signor Gayda in the *Giornale d'Italia*.

The Mediterranean system which Italy has in mind must be based on equilibrium of rights and national strength, and on international guarantee of the freedom of movement and of exit.

This system also implies collaboration between Italy and Islam, in conformity with Italy's traditional and present policy, both in the Mediterranean and the Red Sea.

KULO SHELLED

SHIHZHENG, April 18 (Central)—A fleet of ten Japanese gunboats and armed launches shelled Kulo in the district of Hokshan Tuesday morning. The Chinese fired back and repulsed them.

CROSSWORD

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MARKETING OF CHINA MADE PRODUCTS

Assn. Formed At Meeting Of Business Leaders

The Hongkong branch of the Chinese Products Manufacturing and Sales Association, purported to boost the marketing of Chinese products, was formally organised at a meeting of prominent Chinese financiers and industrialists at a luncheon meeting at the Hawpar Mansion, Tai Hang Road, yesterday.

At the same meeting the China Southwest Industrial Development Association aiming at rallying the nation's leading industrialists for the exploitation of the natural resources in the Southwest was also formed.

THOUGHT THEY HAD FOUND GOLD MINE

Six Men, Woman Bound Over

"They are just silly people who think they have found a gold mine. I don't think they have any criminal intention," observed T. J. Houston at the Central Court yesterday when he ordered seven persons to be bound over for a sum of \$270 in Chinese currency.

The defendants were Fung Fat, fish dealer, Tsui Tam-on, Cheung Siu, married woman, So Tsui, So Luk-kok, Li Ching and Cheng Ming.

Several days ago So Wo, owner of a fishing junk was robbed and was dispossessed of his craft in Lung Shun Wan.

On April 15, Fung Fat, first defendant, found the boat in Chung Mei with nobody on board. He returned there the second day and still found it unoccupied. He then hired the six other defendants to beach the boat in Aberdeen waiting for claimant.

While beaching the boat, Cheung Siu, third defendant, found \$270 hidden under a chatty and took it to Fung Fat, who divided the money, proportionally among the seven. He then took out a sum of \$40 and had a feast with it. Two days later So Wo, the owner, found his boat in Aberdeen and discovered that the sum of \$270 had been stolen. He reported the theft to the police and the seven defendants were arrested.

They pleaded guilty to the charge before Mr. Houston yesterday and were each bound over in a sum of \$100 for 12 months.

They were also ordered to subscribe among themselves the sum of \$12 Hongkong currency, equivalent to \$40 Chinese money which they had spent on the feast, to repay to the complainant.

The money, which was divided among the seven defendants, was recovered.

Prof. Robertson Tells Of Travels Along Yunnan-Burma Highway

THE EAST ROOM OF THE FUNG FING-SHAN LIBRARY WAS CROWDED TO OVERFLOWING YESTERDAY afternoon when Prof. R. Robertson, of the Hongkong University, gave a talk on his travels in Yunnan and along the Yunnan-Burma road.

The talk, which was given under the auspices of the Sino-British Cultural Association, was illustrated with lantern-slides.

Starting with some interesting pictures of Kunming and adjacent districts that gave vivid glimpses of the superb scenery of the region, the temples, and various phases of life there, Prof. Robertson then showed several pictures of the upper reaches of the Yangtze River and spoke of the work which was being undertaken in the region by experts sent out by the League of Nations.

The object of the work was to improve methods of transportation and navigation, which was a very big task, as the waters were dangerous and the land steep and mountainous.

SALT MINE

Proceeding, Prof. Robertson showed various scenes of the salt mines in Yunnan and the process of manufacture of the article. Pictures of the primitive methods largely still being used were set against the modern and more scientific process that had lately been introduced.

In connection with this region, Prof. Robertson said goitre, which is due to a deficiency of thyroid in the human system, was common amongst the inhabitants. In order to combat this, a small but sufficient quantity of iodine in the form of potassium iodide was now being added to the salt, whilst in the process of boiling, by means of a spray.

LARGE TRUCKS

The obstacles to smooth transportation being met with along the

FUNERAL OF MR. L. G. H. P. DE SILVA

The funeral took place at the Colonial Cemetery yesterday of Mr. L. G. H. Peris de Silva, who died under tragic circumstances. A Buddhist service Singhalese was conducted by his friends at the graveside.

The late Mr. Silva was formerly employed by Messrs. A. J. Windsor and Co., Kowloon, was found dead at Deep Water Bay on Thursday. He was believed to have drowned.

Among those present were Messrs. C. H. Windsor, G. M. Arthur, A. G. James, T. H. Mandes, S. M. L. Marker, M. M. Abdual, M. W. Simpson, D. O. Silver, D. A. Paulsham, A. W. Kurunuru, P. G. R. da Silva, G. H. Samill, M. A. Gomes, A. Ghani, C. H. Christina, M. J. Mohamed Din, H. D. F. Pereira, G. S. Brothers, M. W. Douglas and Mrs. D. O. Silver.

Wreaths were sent by Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Gomes and Miss M. R. Pereira, A. N. Forman and A. Crawford.

DEATH OF MR. C. A. JANSZ

News has been received by Mr. Douglas Jansz, of the Editorial Staff of the Hongkong Daily Press, of the death of his father, Mr. Cyril A. Jansz, M.A., O.B.E., J.P., principal of St. John's College and Schools, Panadura, Ceylon.

The late Mr. Jansz, who was 88 years old, had been ailing for some time, and passed away on Thursday morning.

Airport News

Air mails from America and London were again delayed yesterday by bad weather.

Pan American Airways California Clipper and the Imperial Airways' mail plane are both due this afternoon.

The Clipper will leave on its return flight to Manila tomorrow.

THEFT FROM WAR DEPARTMENT

Charged with the larceny of 26 lengths of iron rod from the Shatin Camp, property of the War Department, an unemployed Chinese named Lo Chung-tong, 29, was fined \$10, or in default a month's hard labour, by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Court yesterday.

Charged with the larceny of three coils of barbed wire from Shatin Camp, two Chinese, Pun Cheuk, 39, and Pun Shing, 40, were bound over on sums of \$10 each. They will also be recommended for expulsion. Lt. J. M. Tomlinson, of the Kumaon Rifles, appeared as complainant in the case.

CLAIMS FOR POSSESSION

Seven blacksmith shops which were defendants in claims for possession of premises in the Summary Court yesterday were ordered to move by the last day of May by Justice R. E. Lindsell.

Mr. M. W. Lo, who represented the landlords in six cases, said last week when the cases first came up for hearing, the Land Officer had intimated that removal of the Crown leases would not be made unless the blacksmith businesses ceased. He understood that representations had been made to the Government by a school with regard to the noise.

Mr. Peter H. Sin represented the seventh defendant shop.

In announcing his decision His Lordship said he sympathised with the defendants, but added that as there was a school in the vicinity the noise must stop. His Lordship previously had stated that it was unfair to turn the defendants out in less than a month, and he gave them till May 31 to vacate the premises.

TRICK CYCLIST IN COURT

Charged with riding a bicycle without due care and caution in Nathan Road on Thursday, when she collided with a car, a Chinese girl, Yu Lai, 18, was fined \$1, in default 10 days' imprisonment, by Mr. E. H. Hinsworth at Kowloon Court yesterday.

In passing sentence, Mr. Hinsworth told defendant that if it were necessary for one to have a driving license for a bicycle, she would certainly not be allowed to drive one.

NOMADS TO MEET B. COY. RAJPUTS

The following is the line-up of the Nomads Hockey Club in a friendly hockey match against B. Coy. Rajputana Rifles at Shamshuipo, today, bully-off 4.30 p.m.

A. Silva; R. Xavier, H. Soares; R. Soares, R. J. Reed, L. Souza; R. M. da Silva, J. H. Franco, L. F. Osmund, H. Gubbay and S. A. Reed.

GENERAL

GOOD RECORD SPOILED

TAXI DRIVER CAUTIONED

A taxi driver, who had a clean record for 12 years, one which, as described by Traffic Inspector Clarke, was exceptionally good in view of his being a public car driver, was convicted on a summons for driving without caution.

The defendant was Wong To. He was summoned that while approaching the junction of Ice House Street and Chater Road on March 23, he failed to exercise such caution as to ensure safety for all traffic in the vicinity. He was represented by Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ.

The complainant was Mr. C. W. Somers, residing at No. 458, The Peak.

HIGH SPEED

Mr. Somers said that he was driving along Chater Road from west to east. As he reached the middle of Ice House Street, he noticed a green car, which he later recognised as a taxi, approaching along Ice House Street from the Star Ferry. The public vehicle struck his car in the middle and the force of the blow caused him to swerve to the right. The defendant was travelling at a high speed.

Mrs. Somers, Pte. Fleming, of the Royal Scots, and Mr. G. S. Wilcox also gave evidence.

Mr. Sheldon cautioned the defendant.

NAVAL OFFICER COMMITTED

Kenneth Duncan Bruce, 24, naval officer, who appeared on remand before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday on a charge of manslaughter, was committed to the Criminal Session.

The defendant was represented by Mr. D. Brittain Evans, while Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, assisted by Traffic Insp. S. C. Saunders, appeared for the prosecution.

HAND GRENADES

Appearing before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Court yesterday charged with armed robbery and possession of four hand grenades and a bayonet, Hung Kau, unemployed, was committed to the Criminal Sessions.

Canton Allied Red Cross Appeal

FLOWER DAY TODAY

The Hongkong University Chinese Medical Relief Association are holding a Flower Day today in aid of the wounded soldiers and distressed refugees.

Besides sending \$4,000 to Dr. Robert Lin, director of the Chinese Red Cross Medical Relief Commission, and another \$1,000 to the Medical Corps of the New 4th Route Army in Anhwei, the Association also sent \$1,036 for the maintenance of one of the H.K. Students' Relief Association Service Corps.

Among the other organisations which have received the Association's help are the Salvation Army, the H.K. Refugee Emergency Council and the Chinese Industrial Co-operatives.

AMBULANCE UNIT

It is felt that it would be an encouragement to aim at some definite object rather than to collect funds vaguely for Red Cross work, and it is also believed that there may be some propaganda value in the presentation of a complete ambulance unit contributed by a small and distant Allied community such as that of Shameen.

Some voices have been raised in protest against the choice of an ambulance, but it is clear that ambulances are needed and that the purchase of an ambulance by private subscription will set free funds equivalent to the value of the ambulance presented for whatever purpose they may be more urgently required.

COMMUNAL EFFORT

At the present time there are resident in Hongkong many people who would normally consider themselves members of the Canton community, and who would probably like to associate themselves with this communal effort. It would be greatly appreciated if any such persons who wish to contribute to the fund would send cheques made payable to the Franco-British Fund either to—

Mrs. A. Price, British Consulate-General, Canton, or to Mme. F. Saigon, Consulat de France, Canton.

It is hoped that former residents of Shameen will not allow themselves to be outdone in generosity by the present members of the foreign community of Canton.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Thirty-fifth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank Building, on Monday, the 22nd April, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 6th April to 22nd April, 1940, both days inclusive.

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NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

The Fifty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 30th May, 1940, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd May to 13th June inclusive.

By order of the Board.

JARDINE, MATHESON &
CO., LTD.General Managers,
Hong Kong, 16th April, 1940.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT
The Family of the late Mr. Tsang Fook wish to express their thanks to the Doctors and Nurses for all their care and attention during Mr. Tsang Fook's illness, and also thank all the people who have so kindly sent floral tributes and condolences.

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WORLD WAR?

HOWEVER much of a genius Herr Hitler may be to his deluded Nazi followers, it has become increasingly apparent that every step he has taken during the past months has only added to the long list of his enemies and has further strengthened the position which the liberty-loving countries of the world are gradually taking to resist domination by aggression.

THOSE PRESENT

Lady Northcote was present, accompanied by Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, President of St. George's Society, and attended by Capt. S. H. Battye-Smith, A.D.C.

Other distinguished members of the audience were H. E. Admiral Sir Percy Noble and Lady Noble, H. E. Major-General A. E. Gresett and Mrs. Gresett, Sir Atholl and Lady MacGregor, Mr. L. C. F. Relly, Vice-President of St. George's Society, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Hon. Mr. R. A. C. and Mrs. North, Commodore and Mrs. A. M. Peters, Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall and Mrs. Kotewall, Hon. Mr. M. K. and Mrs. Lo, Hon. Mr. C. G. and Mrs. Alabaster, Mr. Justice R. E. and Mrs. Lindell, Hon. Mr. S. H. and Mrs. Dodwell, Surg. Capt. G. V. and Mrs. Hobbs, Mr. P. S. Cussidy, Mr. N. V. A. Croucher, Mr. and Mrs. H. Odell, Mr. J. H. Odell (Manager, Warner Bros.), Mr. E. Cock, Lt. Col. H. B. Dowbiggin, Mr. C. G. and Mrs. Perdue, Mr. T. J. Gould, Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves, Very Rev. J. L. and Mrs. Wilson, Major E. C. Fredericks, Mr. W. J. Carrie, Mr. G. N. Tinson, Miss Elizabeth Grayburn, Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, Major R. O. and Mrs. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pearce, Mr. L. Dunbar, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Southard, Mr. T. G. S. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Taggart and several other prominent personalities.

MAJ.-GEN. DOBBIE
ACTING COV.
OF MALTA

THE POSITION of these weak neighbours of the Reich is fully realised in the world today. They have all along found themselves in the horns of a dilemma—either they must agree to submit and serve the interests of the power-crazed fanatic across their frontiers or become the victims of the most ruthless and wanton acts of aggression, which, according to the Nazi theme, must precede their being brought under the "protection of Greater Germany!" His desperate move in Scandinavia is costing him dearly—a move which Herr Hitler was most probably forced to take by reason of his economic plight—and, with his plans facing utter collapse, the same considerations will inevitably prompt him to strike out in other directions. This will slowly, but surely, bring other countries into the conflict, which now seems reasonably certain of assuming world wide proportions.

NO ONE is able to say with any certainty where the Nazi thrust will next be directed in an effort to extricate themselves from their present difficulties. Herr Hitler's greatest need, however, to replenish his economic position is for oil, ore and tin—three vital necessities for the prosecution of any form of major hostilities. Presuming that Herr Hitler still has hopes of securing his ore from Scandinavia, where will he turn for his needs of tin and oil? The Balkans for oil and the Far East for tin are the most likely sources that will be able to fill his demands and the possibility of moves in both these directions are being kept under observation by the powers who have taken up arms to thwart the German plans.

COMFORT can be taken from the fact that the Allies are ready, if necessary to forestall any action which will involve the Balkans and

SOCIETY AT
PICTURE
PREMIERE"ELIZABETH AND
ESSEX"

Hongkong society was out in full force last night for the gala premiere of the Warner Brothers' all-technicolour production, "The Private Lives of Elizabeth and Essex" (starring Bette Davis and Errol Flynn), at the King's Theatre, shown in connexion with the celebration of St. George's Day.

Part of the proceeds of yesterday's performance and of all shows during the film's current run in Hongkong will be donated to the British War Organisation Fund. The picture will be screened at the King's until Wednesday.

Last night, the Band of the Midwives Regiment played pleasing numbers before the show and Miss Barbara Gilmar rendered three delightful vocal numbers accompanied by Surg.-Capt. G. V. Hobbs at the piano.

His Excellency the Governor was unable to attend owing to illness.

THOSE PRESENT

Lady Northcote was present, accompanied by Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, President of St. George's Society, and attended by Capt. S. H. Battye-Smith, A.D.C.

Other distinguished members of the audience were H. E. Admiral Sir Percy Noble and Lady Noble, H. E. Major-General A. E. Gresett and Mrs. Gresett, Sir Atholl and Lady MacGregor, Mr. L. C. F. Relly, Vice-President of St. George's Society, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Hon. Mr. R. A. C. and Mrs. North, Commodore and Mrs. A. M. Peters, Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall and Mrs. Kotewall, Hon. Mr. M. K. and Mrs. Lo, Hon. Mr. C. G. and Mrs. Alabaster, Mr. Justice R. E. and Mrs. Lindell, Hon. Mr. S. H. and Mrs. Dodwell, Surg. Capt. G. V. and Mrs. Hobbs, Mr. P. S. Cussidy, Mr. N. V. A. Croucher, Mr. and Mrs. H. Odell, Mr. J. H. Odell (Manager, Warner Bros.), Mr. E. Cock, Lt. Col. H. B. Dowbiggin, Mr. C. G. and Mrs. Perdue, Mr. T. J. Gould, Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves, Very Rev. J. L. and Mrs. Wilson, Major E. C. Fredericks, Mr. W. J. Carrie, Mr. G. N. Tinson, Miss Elizabeth Grayburn, Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, Major R. O. and Mrs. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pearce, Mr. L. Dunbar, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Southard, Mr. T. G. S. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Taggart and several other prominent personalities.

INDEPENDENCE DEMAND
BY INDIA REJECTEDViceroy - Gandhi Deadlock
Staggers Millions

LONDON, April 19 (Reuter)—In a Commons debate on the extension of the time limit for proclamations giving executive authority to the Governors of those Indian Provinces where Congress Ministries resigned, Sir Hugh O'Neill declared that the Provincial government in India had not broken down and that provinces which are working themselves comprised one-third of British India.

Danish Ships
Chartered
By JapaneseNO PROTEST TO
BRITAIN

TOKYO, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—No protest has been filed with the British Government but the Foreign Office has informed Japanese authorities in belligerent countries that a number of Danish steamers have now been chartered by the Japanese," stated a Foreign Office spokesman, at the press conference this morning, in reply to a question whether the Japanese Government had lodged a protest with the British Government regarding the latter's alleged detention of Danish steamers.

The number of Danish steamers under charter to Japanese interests are smaller than the Norwegian vessels chartered by the Japanese, he added.

GERMAN ATTEMPT
WHITEWASHED

BERLIN, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—In order to whitewash the German attempt to negotiate with King Haakon, the German Minister to Norway has been ordered to leave the country within 25 hours.

The Norwegian Minister in Berlin has also been expelled.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS

ORDERS BY LT.-COL. H. B. ROSE, M.C., COMMANDANT,
HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

COMPLIMENTARY

The G.O.C. wishes to express his pleasure with the keenness displayed and the hard work done by all Ranks in spite of the bad weather during the recent exercise.

ARTILLERY COMPETITIONS
RESULTS

Champkin Trophy: Won by Gnr. D. E. Smith, 1st Battery.

B.C's. Cup: Won by Bdr. C. N. Dragon, 3rd Battery.

PROMOTION EXAMINATION—
RESULTS

The following passed a Promotion Examination held on 12.40: Cpl. H. F. Hopkins, J. H. Fox, E. L. Curtis, and W. R. K. Collings to Sgt.

M.G. & L.G. CLASSIFICATION
CASUALS

Stonecutters: Apr. 21, M.G. Casuals, Nos. 2 and 3 Cos. Launch leave Queen's Pier at 8.15 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier at 8.30 a.m. Dress—Multi but webbing belt must be worn.

Kowloon City Range: Apr. 21, 9 a.m. L.G. Casuals, Nos. 4 and 6 Cos.

PARADES

Corps Artillery
1st Battery

Apr. 23 and 28: Belchers, 5.30 p.m. D.R.F. Class under 2/Lt. H. S. Jones and Sgt. Sleep. Dress—Overalls.

2nd Battery

Apr. 23, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.'s meeting. All N.C.O.'s are requested to attend.

4th Battery

Apr. 22, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. All N.C.O.'s. All members deficient in uniform or equipment report to B.Q.M.S. Delgado. Old equipment (Bandoliers, etc.) must be returned and changed.

Apr. 23, D.E.L. School, 5.30 p.m. D.E.L. Personnel.

5th A. A. Battery

Apr. 21, Queen's Pier, 9.30 a.m. No. 2 Section. Dress—Overalls.

Apr. 23, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed.

Lecture. Dress—Multi.

Field Company Engineers

Apr. 22, K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Gas drill.

Corps Signals

Apr. 22, H.Q. 5.15 p.m. Signal training.

Mobile Column

Armoured Car Platoon: Apr. 22, Hung Hom Workshop, 5.30 p.m. All Ranks. Crew drill and driving instruction.

Motor Machine Gun Platoon

Apr. 22, Hung Hom Workshop, 5.30 p.m. All Ranks. Lecture—Internal Combustion Engines.

No. 1 Company

Apr. 23, No. 8 Squad, H.Q. 5.15

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 1940.

KOWLOON
WEDDING
AT 6 A.M.MR. H. F. GREEN &
MISS R. M.
WILLIAMSON

The wedding of Mr. Henry Fielding Green, of the A.P.C., and Miss Ruth Margaret Williamson was solemnised as early as 6 a.m. yesterday at the Rosary Church, Kowloon, the Rev. Father H. de Angelis officiating.

The exceptionally early hour was arranged to enable the bride's mother to catch a steamer which was leaving the Colony at 7 a.m. for Canada. The bride haled from Vancouver, was given away by her mother.

The bride wore a dress of powder blue and peacock georgette with a gathered bodice caught at the waist in a lattice work design. She wore a coatee to match.

A reception was held in the afternoon at the Hongkong Hotel and was well attended. The bridal party later left for Repulse Bay where they will spend their honeymoon.

Normal Trade
Relations
With Soviet

Special to H.K. Daily Press

LONDON, Apr. 19 (Havas)—While Soviet quarters in London have repeatedly expressed the wish of a speedy resumption in the whole constitutional sphere with all parties and interest in India. None of these advances had met with any response.

"If civil disobedience were resorted to the Government would be bound to take full measures to counteract it."

Orders of the Government must be carried out, especially in time of war, and he believed that the Congress leaders themselves must recognise this.

firstly, the Soviet decrease their exports to the Reich; and secondly, the Soviet make pressure on Berlin and Rome to refrain from any aggressive action against either Hungary or Yugoslavia.

The impression prevailing here is that the Soviet does not wish an extension of the European conflict to Central Europe, fearing that an Allied counter-attack would be harmful to Russian interests.

According to a private source, Moscow recently intimated to Berlin that the Kremlin was most anxious that both the Reich and Italy refrain from any action in Hungary and Yugoslavia which would likely unleash Allied counter-action in Rumania.

It added that in any case Moscow would never be tolerating neither the occupation of Bessarabia nor occupation of any territory on the Black Sea by any foreign Power.

be worn when firing. Range Officer as detailed by O.C. Coy.

Apr. 23, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Foot and arms drill.

No. 7 Company

Apr. 25, H.Q. 5.45 p.m. Respirator drill and Gas Chamber

Army Service Corps Company

BRITAIN AND AMERICA TALK ABOUT STATUS QUO

INTEGRITY OF DUTCH EAST INDIES MUST BE RESPECTED

LONDON, April 19 (Reuter)—Mr. Arita's Dutch East Indies statement was the subject of questions in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon, when Capt. Alan Graham sought the assurance that the Government did not intend to leave solely to Japan the maintenance of peace in the waters of the Netherlands East Indies in the event of the Netherlands themselves becoming the theatre of war.

Mr. R. A. Butler replied that as far as Lord Halifax was aware, the Japanese Government made no claim to be solely responsible for the maintenance of peace in these waters.

Foes From Within

AMSTERDAM, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—The Fatherland Club, the largest nationalist organization in the Netherlands East Indies, has petitioned the Government to take precautions against foes from within. It emphasizes the dangers of the local Nazi movement and says that Nazi sympathizers may be found among the authorities of the Dutch East Indies themselves.

AMERICA'S ANSWER

WASHINGTON, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—A Bill appropriating \$964,000,000 for the United States Navy during the fiscal year beginning July 1, was passed by the Senate today and sent back to the House of Representatives for action on minor amendments.

CABLE NEWS IN BRIEF

LONDON, April 19 (Reuter)—The submarine Spearfish entered port today. Her crew told of their successful attack on the Admiral Scheer.

LONDON, Apr. 18 (Reuter)—A man named Best appeared in the Manchester Police Court today and pleaded not guilty to stabbing Judge Burgis, Chairman of the Lancashire Cheshire Conscientious Objectors' Tribunal.

SYDNEY, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—It is officially announced that 15,000 Australians have already been accepted for training under the Empire Air Scheme.

TOKYO, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—There is no change in the expectation of the Japanese Government that all pending questions between Japan and the Soviet will be settled in due course, said the Foreign Office spokesman at today's press conference.

LONDON, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—The National Czech Committee has issued a Blue Book in which it details of German brutal attempts to stamp out the culture of the countries under its rule.

LONDON, Apr. 18 (Reuter)—The New York Herald Tribune bureau from Berlin writes: "As far as impressing Italians is concerned, the fighting in Scandinavia has been disappointing to the Nazis."

SHANGHAI, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—Chinese troops of the new Fourth Route Army rescued guerrillas encircled by the Japanese along the Shanghai-Sinpu highway near Shanghai, last Monday and participated in heavy fighting which resulted in the defeat of the Japanese, according to Chinese reports.

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"Out Of Dutch Indies"

WASHINGTON, April 19 (Reuter)—Mr. Cordell Hull's "hands off the Dutch East Indies" statement has "rung the bell" in the United States.

It is generally felt that no single statement by a high official for months has evoked such widespread approval. Typical headlines are the "United States Bars Japan From East Indies" and "Out Of The Dutch Indies, Hull Tells Japan."

In a statement to the press Mr. Arita said that the Japanese Government could not be but deeply concerned over any development consequent upon the aggravation of the war in Europe which might affect the status quo of the Dutch East Indies.

Mr. Butler added that he "need hardly say that on this question His Majesty's Government holds the same views."

INCREASING IMPORTANCE

A Washington message states that the importance of the United States attaches to the maintenance of the status quo in the Pacific is becoming increasingly clear.

Developments of the past 21 hours have served to focus attention on the American naval manoeuvres now being held west of the Hawaiian Islands, under conditions of the utmost secrecy.

RUINED ALL NAZI PROPAGANDA

LONDON, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—Commenting on the American statement regarding the Dutch East Indies, The Times writes:

"Germany's brutal swoop on Norway and Denmark seems to have undone at one blow the effect of months of assiduous Nazi propaganda in the United States."

Many Americans had been lulled into believing that the war did not and could not affect them, that the Allies were fighting solely in defence of their own material interests, and that it did not matter to the rest of the world which side was victorious.

NO PEACE POSSIBLE

The Hochi Shimbun says: "The United States, which must have a say in everything, has issued a statement which is a mere rehash of American arbitrary international ideas and citing treaties which are manifestly incompatible with the Japanese axiom that until the unfair status quo, not only in the Far East but throughout the world, is replaced by a fair new order, no peace can be expected."

"Undoubtedly the statement is intended as a political move to restrain Japan's southward expansion policy but the United States should know that such an attempt will only inflame the Japanese people."

JAPAN A LITTLE PREMATURE

PARIS, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—"It is difficult to see why the Japanese Government has thought it necessary to raise the Dutch East Indies problem until the problem actually arose," says "Le Temps" in an editorial on the Japanese statement.

ALLIED OFFENSIVE IN TRONDHEIM AREA

STOCKHOLM, April 19 (Reuter)—German troops in the Trondheim region are making hasty preparations to meet the expected attack by the British and Norwegian forces, according to a telephoned message from Nordli, which states that reports British units had landed at Namsos, eighty miles north of Trondheim have caused great optimism throughout the whole of central Norway.

FIRST FIGHT

Continued From Page 1

It is believed that the Germans have been unable to use the aerodrome at Vaernes, near Trondheim, since the British bombarded it earlier in the week and they are evacuating it as heavy snow has since fallen.

ACTIVE CO-OPERATION

LONDON, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—Reuter's special correspondent at Oestersund, near the Swedish-Norwegian frontier, states that co-operation between Norwegian and British troops is reported from a reliable Norwegian source to be continuing actively from Narvik southwards to Trondheim.

It is also reported that Bodoe, one of the spots where British mines were laid, and Namsos are both in Norwegian hands.

TRANSPORT DIFFICULTIES

STOCKHOLM, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—It is stated here that according to information reaching the Norwegian Government, the Germans at Trondheim are beginning to experience serious difficulties regarding the air transport of troops.

The melting snow makes landing extremely difficult.

The newspaper Social Demokraten says the Germans are mobilizing Norwegians between 16 and 50 years of age and compelling them to work in erecting fortifications.

CABLES

TIENTSIN BLOCKADE MATTER OF TIME

JAPANESE PRESS REPORT

TIENTSIN, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—The Japanese blockade of foreign Concessions in Tientsin is only a matter of time, according to the Yungpao, organ of the Japanese military authorities here.

"In view of the rapid progress in the negotiations between Britain and Japan, particularly since the interview between Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador in Tokyo, and Mr. Masayuki Tani, Japanese Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs on Apr. 13, a complete solution of the Tientsin question is expected by the end of April or the beginning of May."

"Negotiations now concern only minor matters and the solution of the silver issue also affect the reserves deposited in the French Concession."

"Following conversations in Tokyo, British and Japanese authorities in Tientsin will fix the final details for the forthcoming agreement and the local Japanese military authorities are prepared to lift the blockade simultaneously with the signing of the agreement."

JOINT COMMITTEE

The Yungpao states that the silver reserves in both the Concessions will be placed in the custody of a joint committee representing China, Japan, Britain, France and the United States.

Out of \$14,000,000 worth of silver in the British Concession, a sum of £100,000 will be set aside for relief purposes.

CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE TO BE CALLED?

WARDEA, April 19 (Reuter)—After four days' deliberations, in which Mahatma Gandhi participated, the Congress Working Committee has called to Congress Committees throughout India to prepare for a declaration of "Satyagraha" (Civil Disobedience).

The resolution recommends members of Congress who are unable to shoulder the burden of struggle under the disciplined guidance of Congress to resign their executive positions, and again emphasizes fulfilment of Gandhi's conditions for the civil disobedience campaign.

LONDON, April 19 (Reuter)—An appeal to men between the ages of 30 and 50 to join the Pioneer Corps was made yesterday by Major-General Beith, Director of Public Relations at the War Office.

Local Paper's Comment

The statement issued by Mr. Cordell Hull, U. S. Secretary of State, regarding the status quo of the Netherlands East Indies is obviously a refutation of Japan's Foreign Minister, Mr. Hachiro Arita's declaration on Apr. 15 and a reiteration of America's immutable policy in the Far East, said the Ta Kung Pao in an editorial today.

Whatever alibi she may make, Japan, the Journal declares, hide her ambitious designs on the Netherlands East Indies and also the entire South Seas. Mr. Arita's declaration may be a "final feaver" before she launches her new aggressive campaign.

IN MUDDY WATERS

The Japanese militarists who used to fish in muddy waters are apparently anxious to snatch the resources in the Netherlands East Indies in view of Britain's and France's pre-occupation in the European War.

With the Pacific issue reaching the most critical stage, the Powers, the journal urges, should no longer adopt a wait-and-see attitude but co-operate to cope with the situation for once Japan wins a dominant position in the South Seas she will utilize the resources there to intensify her aggression on the Continent.

However different their stands may be in Europe, the Powers find themselves in the same boat in the Far East and unless they co-operate they can not hope to keep their interests intact. Especially the United States and the Soviet Union, "the two pillars of neutrality," should reach an understanding regarding the restoration of peace and order in the Far East.

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CONTACT NOW ESTABLISHED

LONDON, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—Reuter learns that the Norwegian Government has received a report from the Norwegian Commander in North Trondheim that Norwegian forces have made contact with the Allied forces by sea and air.

IT'S CLEAR IT'S GOOD

IT'S 100% BRITISH

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High Honour For C.B.S.

William Pryde, of the Central British School, has been awarded the Peace Memorial Scholarship of £1,250. The Scholarship, which represents the greatest scholastic honour to be obtained by a British boy in the Far East, will entitle him to three years' residence at a University in England and first-class passage home and return.

News of the award, the second time it has fallen to the Pryde family, was received yesterday, Walter Pryde, elder brother to William and also a C.B.S. student, won it in 1938, and is now studying at Cambridge.

ONLY ONE AWARD

Up to 1938, there were two Peace Memorial Scholarships available to British boys in China, but since last year there has only been one award a year. The object of the Scholarship, as laid down by the founders, is to encourage boys to turn to the laboratory, the workshop or the land.

The holder of the scholarship may study at any University in England, and it is stipulated that one of the following subjects be taken: either Electrical Engineering, Synthetic Chemistry, Practical Farming, or Horticulture. The successful candidate is chosen by the Examination Syndicate of Cambridge University.

William Pryde is the son of Mr. Walter Pryde, chairman of the Hongkong Football Association. Like his brother, he is a first-class sportsman and excels at football, cricket and athletics.

He has been for two years captain of the C.B.S. Cricket 1st XI and was also Captain of the School. Last year, he played at inside-right for the Hongkong Football Club and has already made a name for himself in local football.

NEUTRALS ASKED

Continued From Page 1 where the papers are depicting Hitler's blunder as a German triumph.

So far no papers have printed the British Minister of Economic Warfare, Mr. Ronald Gross' speech yesterday on the results of the conference of British Ministers in south-east Europe, which has been held in London in the last 10 days.

The Popolo de Roma which has consistently maintained that no British troops were landed in Norway, today says a land battle between the Allies and the Germans ended in a victory for Germany and 6,000 British troops were put out of action.

The strangest blunder in the description of the German campaign was printed by the weekly paper, Tempo, which published a picture of half of a transport plane which, it says, brought German reinforcements to Norway. However, the picture shows the plane with R. A. F. markings instead of the Swastika.

The Free Handicap, yesterday, was run at Newmarket and was won by Salt Spring (10/7) Tornado (4/1) was second, and Love's Revelry (7/1) third. Twenty ran.

All Eyes On Norway

Triumph For M. Reynaud

SENATE SPEECH SUCCESS

PARIS, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—The secret session of the Senate which began last Tuesday ended today. It proved a great personal triumph for M. Paul Reynaud, the Premier, who spoke for an hour at the end of the debate and reviewed the entire military, political and diplomatic situation.

No vote was taken as the object of the debate was only to hear reports from the army, navy and air commission of the Senate.

However, prolonged applause from all sides of the House at the end of the Premier's speech indicated the Senators' sentiments.

A storm of applause greeted M. Reynaud's emphatic declaration that the Government intended to pursue its efforts to win the war in the closest co-operation with Parliament.

According to all signs, the development of the war situation and the Government's handling of it has enormously strengthened M. Reynaud's parliamentary position.

Home Racing Calendar

LONDON, April 19 (Reuter)—The Racing Calendar announces additional racing fixtures for the year. Fifty-three meetings covering 82 days will end during August.

As the Ascot Course is not available, His Majesty has approved of the Meeting being held at Newmarket on June 21 and 22 under the Ascot authorities.

AT NEWMARKET

THE FREE HANDICAP, yesterday, was run at Newmarket and was won by Salt Spring (10/7) Tornado (4/1) was second, and Love's Revelry (7/1) third. Twenty ran.

Fighting is severest at Talong-miao, near Chienhsien, where the Chinese are steadfastly holding their ground against overwhelming odds.

The Craven Stakes were won by Prince Tetra (100/6). Second was Medley (100/6) and third was Defiant (6/1). Fourteen ran. Distances were three lengths and two lengths.

PAGE FOR THE CHURCHES

Tomorrow - Fourth Sunday

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

21st April 1940.

4th Sunday after Easter.

8 a.m. Holy Communion (Communicant's Fellowship).

8 a.m. Holy Communion in the Peak Church.

11 a.m. Preacher: Rev. A. P. Rose.

12.15 Holy Communion.

8.30 p.m. Evensong.

Preacher: The Dean.

Children's Services.

Cathedral: 10 a.m. Kindergarten and Children's Service.

Chapel of the Resurrection, Happy Valley, 10 a.m. Kindergarten and Sunday School.

Stanley Sunday School Room, 10 a.m. Kindergarten and Sunday School.

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Wednesday, Prayer for the sick, at 10.15 a.m.

OTHER NOTICES

April 22nd 8 p.m. Badminton, Cathedral Hall.

April 23rd 5.30 p.m. Cathedral Scouts Meeting, Bishop's House, Lower Albert Road.

April 24th 10 a.m. Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall.

5.30 p.m. Confirmation Classes, Lady Chapel.

April 25th 3.30 p.m. Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall.

April 26 5.30 p.m. Choir Practice, Cathedral.

Commencing on May 5th the evening service on Sundays will be held at 7 p.m. until further notice and not at 6.30 p.m.

NEWSSETTES

Major W. J. E. Mackenzie, M.C., leaves for home today on holiday, accompanied by his wife.

Mr. C. F. Grove, of the Thai Cement Co., Bangkok, left Hongkong yesterday for Vancouver.

Mr. A. W. Gibson, of the Standard Vacuum Oil Co., left for New York yesterday.

Mr. J. F. Barron, of the Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd., left Hongkong yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Barron.

Mr. F. L. Davidson, of Messrs. E. J. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Shanghai, who has been in Hongkong, left for the north yesterday.

Mr. T. F. Duckworth, of the H.K. Electric Co. Ltd., left the Colony yesterday, accompanied by "Mrs. Duckworth."

Mrs. J. F. MacGregor, wife of Mr. J. F. MacGregor, Director of Messrs. Calbeck, MacGregor Co. Ltd., left for Shanghai yesterday.

Mr. J. M. Pearson, of the Shipping Department of the Asiatic Petroleum Co. (S.C.) Ltd., left Hongkong yesterday.

The Cathedral Women's Fellowship held a most successful jumble sale at St. John's Cathedral Hall yesterday afternoon.

Lady Northcote will be present at the celebration of the 25th anniversary of St. Paul's Girls' College at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 24.

Lady Northcote will entertain Guides and Guiders of the Girl Guides Association to tea at Mountain Lodge, at 3 p.m. on Saturday next, April 27.

His Holiness Ven. Tai Hsu, President of the premier Buddhist Association of China, and a well-known Buddhist leader who has travelled extensively both in Europe and Asia, is in Singapore after completing a goodwill mission to India, Burma and Ceylon.

Answering criticisms that the Chinese did not treat their women-folk fairly, Dr. Lim Boon Keng, in an address on "Chinese Civilisation" to the Hua Yu Association in Singapore, declared that Chinese women had more rights than their sisters anywhere.

After Easter

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The Sailor's Home and Seamen's Institute Hongkong

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NOTICES FOR WEEK

On week-days: Holy Mass at 8.30 and 7.15 a.m.

April 24, at 8.30 p.m. Study Circle.

CHRIST CHURCH

Celebrations of Holy Communion, English 7.15 a.m., Mandarin 8 a.m. Choral Eucharist; and Sermon 10 a.m., Preacher, The Vicar, Hymns at Choral Eucharist, 135, 157, 300, 305. Morning Prayer in Mandarin 11 a.m. (Note: there will be a Confirmation at 9 a.m. in Cantonese by the Right Rev. Mok Sau-tsang, Assistant Bishop in South China). Junior Sunday School as usual at 9 a.m. in No. 3, Duke Street; the children of the Senior School will attend the Confirmation. Evensong at 6.30 p.m., Preacher, The Vicar, Tuesday, St. George of England Holy Communion 7.15 a.m., Wednesday, Wolf Cubs No. 3, Duke Street, 4.30 p.m. Thursday, St. Mark, Evangelist-Holy Communion 7.15 a.m., Guild of Martha and Mary meeting in the Vicarage, 10 a.m. Full choir practice in Church, 5.30 p.m. (Note: that there is still room for more men in the choir).

EMMANUEL CHURCH

218, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

Sunday, 10 a.m. Service of Holy Communion. 11 Morning Service. 2.45 p.m. Sunday School. 3 Young Men's Bible Class. 7.30 Song Service. 8 Evening Service, Speaker, Mrs. Nancee. Monday, 7.30 p.m. S.A.C.A. Meeting. 8 Bible Study Circle at 722 Nathan Road, 1st floor, Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Meeting for Chinese amahs. Wednesday, 8 p.m. Praise & Prayer meeting. Thursday, 10.30 a.m. Women's Bible Study Circle at 216 Nathan Road, 1st floor. 6 p.m. Prayer meeting. All are welcome. No collection on Sunday evening.

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

The following are the forthcoming services at the Catholic Cathedral, Caine Road:

Morning services: 1st Mass at 6 a.m. with sermon in Chinese, 2nd Mass at 8 a.m. with sermon in English, 3rd Mass at 10 a.m. with sermon in English.

Evening services: at 3.30 Catechetical Instruction, at 4 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction, April 23—St. George, Patron of England, April 25—St. Mark, the Evangelist. At 7.10 a.m. Litany of the Saints and Procession. At 5.30 p.m. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on week days Mass at 6 a.m. and 7.30. Confessions morning and evening.

MISS HO HUI-CHIUNG has been appointed by Madame Chiang Kai-shek to be president of the new Shanghai Free Christian Church was laid at 4 p.m. on April 13 at Tifeng Road. The site of the new church is at the corner of Tifeng and Jessfield Roads where a Sunday School will also be erected with the main building.

For the first time in the history of the Perak Flying Club, F.M.S., three of its members, including a woman member, have qualified as honorary instructors. They are now contributing much towards raising the standard of local flying interest in aviation. The Hon. Mr. J. D. Mead, Mrs. L. B. Woods and Mr. E. W. Mack are the three successful honorary instructors.

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ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

ENGLISH METHODIST CHURCH

Queen's Road East, Opposite the Royal Naval Hospital.

Preachers: Morning—Rev. Egwus Jones, B. Sc.; Evening—Rev. E. Moreton.

Junior Church 9.30 a.m. All children welcome. Morning Parade Service 10.15 a.m. Hymn 115, Prayer, Hymn 325, 1st Lesson, Hymn 254, and Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Hymn 178, Sermon, Hymn 178, Sermon, Hymn 386, Benediction, Evening Service 7 p.m. Hymn 18.

ST. ANDREW'S

The following are the forthcoming services, etc. at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

Commemoration of St. George's Day, Holy Communion, 8 a.m. Matins and Address, 11 a.m. Preacher, The Vicar, St. Andrew's Rovers, Scouts and Cubs, the 4th Kowloon Cubs and the H. K. (Murray) Troop of Scouts will attend this service. Evensong and Address, 6.15 p.m. Preacher, The Vicar, Sunday Schools. Primary Sunday School, 10 a.m. Leader, Miss W. Robinson. Young People's Service, 10 a.m. Leader, Mrs. J. R. Higgs. Monday, Medical War Working Party for China, 10 a.m. Fellowship of Youth and B. W. O. F. Working Party, 6 p.m. Teachers' Preparation Class, 7 p.m. St. Andrew's Club lecture by Mr. E. F. Finch. There will be an Open night instead. Tuesday—Mothers' Union, 3 p.m. Brownie Pack, 3.30 p.m. Wednesday—Medical War Working Party, 10 a.m. Wolf Cubs, 5.30 p.m. Rover Scouts, 8.45 p.m. (11, Cumberland Rd., Kowloon Tong). St. Andrew's A. D. C. Rehearsal, 8 p.m. Thursday—St. Mark, E. and M. Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m. Women's Fellowship and B. W. O. F. Working Party, 3 p.m. Boy Scouts, 8 p.m. St. Andrew's Club, 9 p.m. Friday—Medical War Working Party, 10 a.m. Full Chorale Practice, 6.30 p.m. Saturday—St. Andrew's Club Seven-a-Side Mixed Hockey Tournament at King's Park at 2.30 p.m. St. Andrew's Club Hockey and Badminton Dinner and Dance in the Hall at 7.45 p.m. Admission, \$3.50 (double) \$2 (single).

NOTICES FOR WEEK

Following the Evening Service a Social Hour will be held at S & S Home 8.15 p.m. All Servicemen and civilians will be warmly welcomed. The Badminton Club is meeting at S & S Home on Monday and Thursday 7 p.m. The Circuit Quarterly Meeting will be held at S & S Home, Tuesday 8.30 p.m. This will be preceded by a supper 7.30 p.m. for which the charge is \$1. All friends interested in the work of the church are cordially invited. The General Committee is meeting at S & S Home, Wednesday, 5.30 p.m.

EMMANUEL CHURCH

218, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

Sunday, 10 a.m. Service of Holy Communion. 11 Morning Service. 2.45 p.m. Sunday School. 3 Young Men's Bible Class. 7.30 Song Service. 8 Evening Service, Speaker, Mrs. Nancee. Monday, 7.30 p.m. S.A.C.A. Meeting. 8 Bible Study Circle at 722 Nathan Road, 1st floor, Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Meeting for Chinese amahs. Wednesday, 8 p.m. Praise & Prayer meeting. Thursday, 10.30 a.m. Women's Bible Study Circle at 216 Nathan Road, 1st floor. 6 p.m. Prayer meeting. All are welcome. No collection on Sunday evening.

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

The following are the forthcoming services at the Catholic Cathedral, Caine Road:

Morning services: 1st Mass at 6 a.m. with sermon in Chinese, 2nd Mass at 8 a.m. with sermon in English, 3rd Mass at 10 a.m. with sermon in English.

Evening services: at 3.30 Catechetical Instruction, at 4 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction, April 23—St. George, Patron of England, April 25—St. Mark, the Evangelist. At 7.10 a.m. Litany of the Saints and Procession. At 5.30 p.m. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on week days Mass at 6 a.m. and 7.30. Confessions morning and evening.

MISS HO HUI-CHIUNG has been appointed by Madame Chiang Kai-shek to be president of the new Shanghai Free Christian Church was laid at 4 p.m. on April 13 at Tifeng Road. The site of the new church is at the corner of Tifeng and Jessfield Roads where a Sunday School will also be erected with the main building.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:

Mr. Ho Shu-cheong, clerk, of No. 147, Lockhart Road, second floor, and Miss Lo Kwan-fan, of No. 209, Wanchai Road, first floor;

Mr. Chow Suen-mayo, merchant of No. 6, Haven Street, first floor, and Miss Wong Sui-ting, of No. 182, Lockhart Road, third floor;

Mr. Chu Kwok-luen, clerk, of No. 160, Tunglowan Road, and Miss Tseng Siu-wan, teacher, of the Ling Ying College.

Three men, armed with daggers, are reported to have forced their way into No. 15, Ki Lung Street, Shamshuipo, about 11 o'clock yesterday morning and decamped after robbing the occupants of a considerable amount of money.

May 4, 1940, has a particular significance to Chinese students, and the English Club, the Political Science Club and the Economics Society of Canton University will jointly send a message to the World Students' Association. Message will also be sent to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Ambassador to China, Dr. H. H. Kung, Vice-President of the Executive Yuan, and Minister of Finance, acted as chief host.

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FOR THE CHURCHES

LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

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To SELL BY

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ON

Saturday, the 20th April, 1940

at

12 noon

at

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Terms: Cash on Delivery.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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ON

Monday, the 22nd April, 1940
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On View from Saturday, the 20th April, 1940.

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LAMMERT BROS.
AUCTIONEERS.

THOS. COOK AND SON
(BANKERS)

The balance-sheet of Thos. Cook and Son (Bankers) for the financial year ended October 31 again exhibits a high degree of liquidity. This is particularly noteworthy in view of the exceptional events of the year, culminating in the actual outbreak of war. As will be seen from the subjoined table the cash holding is only slightly below that of the previous year, and as deposits have declined by £570,000 the cash ratio has risen from 19.4 to 21.5 per cent. The bank also holds large short-term assets in the shape of money at call, bank deposits at interest, and India Government Treasury Bills representing a further 54.3 per cent. of the deposit liabilities which are thus covered by cash, short-term loans, etc., to the extent of 75.8 per cent.

Oct. 31, 1939	Oct. 31, 1938
Liabilities £	£
Capital 125,000	125,000
Reserve 125,000	125,000
Current, deposit, and other accounts 3,451,661	4,022,180
Assets Cash 743,617	780,687
Remittances in transit 232,652	156,509
Money at call and short notice 265,000	300,000
Bank deposits at interest 998,750	1,870,526
INDIA Govt. Treasury Bills 376,975	239,167
British, Indian, and Dominion Govt. securities 716,481	742,207
Other securities 42,056	39,552
Advances to customers and other accounts 317,401	323,984
In addition to the published reserve, which remains equal to the paid-up capital, there are substantial internal reserves. Of the investments, amounting to £758,517 (which appear at below market values), £694,382 are represented by British Government securities.	

Finance and Commerce

Strangling British Trade

JAPANESE POLICY IN TSINGTAO

LONDON, April 19 (Reuters)—Asked in the House of Commons yesterday by Captain Alan Graham (Con.) whether the Asia Development Board was responsible for the discrimination against British shipping in Tsingtao, Mr. E. A. Butler, in a written reply, said: "I do not think it would serve any useful purpose to assess responsibility for discrimination against British interests of, any particular Japanese agent."

HOSTILE ATTITUDE

Mr. Robert Morgan (Con.) declared that the Japanese authorities in Tsingtao recently asked an important American corporation why it had shipped cargo in a British vessel, and informed it that if further shipments arrived in other than Japanese vessels they would not be accorded the same favourable importation facilities as cargo in Japanese vessels. Mr. Morgan suggested that this case be taken up with the Japanese Government "as a typical example of Japan's policy of strang-

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Friday, April 19, 1940.
H.K. Banks 2 \$1,505.00
Dairy Farms 100 21.80
Doughjases 100 120.00
H.K. Electrics 100 65.75
H.K. Tramways 500 17.85
United Paracales 5,000 0.47

*Sale on Thursday, the 18th inst. The total value is \$41,045.00.

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, April 18 (Reuters).
TIN buyers sellers
Standard, Cash 255-1/2 255-3/4
Standard, 3 months 249-1/2 249-3/4
Standard, Settlement Price 255-1/4
Straits 275-3/4 to 280-3/4

ling British trade in the Far East." In a written reply, Mr. Butler said: "Lord Halifax's attention has been drawn to the report in question, but confirmatory evidence cannot be obtained. There appears to have been a number of instances where shippers have been influenced to ship 'other than by British vessels and the whole matter is now receiving active consideration."

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	FRIDAY 20. APRIL.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
Banks								
\$1,005	-\$1,100	£04	£04	H.K. Banks	...	...	-\$1,100	
...	...	£04	£04	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...	...	294	
...	...	£01	£01	Do. (Loc. Reg.)	...	...	294	
...	...	£01	£01	Chartered Banks	...	...	294	
...	...	£01	£01	Merchandise Bks. "A"	...	...	294	
...	...	£01	£01	Merchandise Bks. "C"	...	...	294	
873	...	£01	£01	Bank of East Asia	...	...	295	
...	...	£01	£01	N. C. & B. Banks	...	...	60 ct.	
...	...	£00	£00	Insurances	...	...	230	
...	...	£00	£00	Canton Insurances	...	...	230	
...	...	£00	£00	Union Insurances	...	...	230	
...	...	£00	£00	Underwriters	...	...	230	
...	...	£00	£00	H.K. Fire	...	...	75 cts	
...	...	£00	£00	Shipping	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Douglas	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Steamtrks	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Indo-China (Prod.)	...	...	2100	
...	...	£00	£00	Indo-China (D.M.)	...	...	2120	
...	...	£00	£00	Shells	...	...	72/6	
...	...	£00	£00	Waterbks.	...	...	72/6	
...	...	£00	£00	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Providents (new)	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Providents (new)	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	H.K. Docks C. RTS.	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	H.K. Docks X. Rts.	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	do. Rts.	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Shanghai Docks S. ...	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Mining	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Kailan	...	...	18/9	
...	...	£00	£00	Baob	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Venerable Gold Fids	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Hong Kong Mine	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Lands, Hotels and Buildings	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	H.K. Hotels	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	H.K. Lands	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Do. 4% Debentures	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Shanghai Lands S.	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	H.K. Builders	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Humphreys	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Chinese Estates	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Cotton Mills	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Evo. (S)	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Shanghai Cottons (S)	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Zoong Sing (S)	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Wing On Textiles (S)	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Public Utilities	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Tramways	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Peak Tram (old)	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Peak Tram (new)	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Star Ferries	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Yunnan Ferries	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	China Lights (O)	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	China Lights (New)	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	China Lights (Prod.)	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	H.K. Electric	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Bandaean Lights	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Telephones (old)	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Telephones (new)	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Tractions	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Tractions (prod.)	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Industrials	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Cald. Mag. (Ord.) S.	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Cald. Mag. (Prod.) S.	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Canton Ins.	...	...	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Cements	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Ropes	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Miscellaneous	2145	
...	...	£00	£00	Dairy Farm	2145	
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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

APRIL 19, 1940

On London:	Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 13/16
	Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 13/16
Credits 4 months' sight 1/3 1/8	
On Shanghai:	
On demand	3/0
On Singapore:	
On demand	52 1/2
On Japan:	
On demand	81 1/2
On India:	
Telegraphic Transfer	82 1/4
and demand	82 1/4
On New York:	
Bank Bills, on demand 21 1/2	
Credits 60 days' sight 22 3/8	
On Batavia:	
On demand	39 7/8
On Paris:	
Bank Bills, on demand 1088	
Credits 4 months' sight 1140	
On Saigon:	
On demand	108 1/4
On Manila:	
On demand	43
On Bangkok:	
On demand	150
On Sterling Notes:	
Bank Buying Rate	1/4
Bar Silver per oz	90 7/8

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

The price for Ready Silver dropped 1/16 yesterday but the Forward rate was unchanged, the quotation being 207/11 and 2013/16 respectively. Silver advices reported the market as being featureless. A small business was done. The market closed steady. American Silver was quoted at 343/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross rate was quoted at 4021/2. New York/London was quoted at 351. 1/2.

Market

Quiet

Sterling

There were sellers at 21/2/8 April/August and 1/2/27/32 September/January, buyers at 1/2, 29/32 Cash and 1/2/7/8 October.

U. S. Dollars

Quiet. There were sellers at 21/11/16 April, 215/8 May, 21/9/16 June and 21/1/2 August, first half August, buyers at 21/3/4 Cash, 21/11/16 May, 215/8 June and 21/9/16 first half August.

Shanghai Dollars

Sellers at 361, buyers at 3613/8. Shanghai Market.

Sterling sellers at 41/8 and U.S. Dollars sellers at 6 for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET

The market was dull in the afternoon.

Sterling

The market closed with sellers at 1/2/7/8 April/August and 1/2, 27/32 September/January, buyers at 1/2/29/32 Cash and 1/2/7/8 October.

U. S. Dollars

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Shanghai Market

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Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai Apr. 19 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

Opening

London 0/4
New York 5-3/4
Japan 23-1/2
India 22-1/8
Paris 2.94
Hongkong, 26-3/4

Sellers

Opening Closing
Spot 0/4-1/8 0/4-1/8
Apr. 0/4-3/8 0/4-3/8
May 0/3-5/7 0/3-7/8

U. S. Dollars

Spot \$6 \$8
Apr. 5-29/32 5-29/32
May 5-11/16 5-21/32

Market: Quiet.

Merchant Rates
Sterling, 0/4-3/32.
U.S. Dollars, \$5-15/16

Silver Duty Rate
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2.

The Equalisation rate was 9-3/4 per cent.

New York Exchange
New York, Apr. 18 (Reuter).
T.T. on London (Opening Rate), 350-3/4.

Calcutta Exchange
Calcutta, Apr. 18 (Reuter).
T.T. on Japan, 90-1/8.

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HONGKONGCOMMODITY MARKET REVIEW
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

New York, April 18, 1940.

Previous	April 18	Closing	Change
Closing	Opening	Buyers	Buyers
S.P.O.T.	35-3/4	35-7/8	unch.
JULY-SEPT.	34-1/2	34-5/8	43-5/8 up 1/8
OCT.-DEC.	33-7/8	34	33-3/4 off 1/8

The market was idle.

Previous close	Today's close	buyers	buyers	Change
S.P.O.T.	11	11	unch.	
MAY	11	11	unch.	
JUNE	11	11	unch.	
JULY-SEPT.	11	11-1/16	up 1/16	
OCT.-DEC.	11	11	unch.	

The market was steady but quiet.

NEW YORK COTTON: Bombay interest brought a fair volume of realizing sales, but price-fixing was active. The continuation of rains in the Eastern belt brought some speculative buying.

NEW YORK RUBBER: There was some good commission house demand and factory accumulation of distant months on apprehension of possible invasion to Netherland Indies. C.I.F. rubber today was in better supply, but offerings were easily absorbed. Interest in the market continues, broadening.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Coincident with reports that farmers will finance the commodity loans, the bulk of buying on prospects of a spread of war developed, which found offering limited. The market closed firm and active.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 148.35; Today's close, 147.15; Change, off 1.20.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

	High	Low	Close	Close	Change
New York Cotton, May	10.77	10.73	10.73	10.74	.01 up
New York Rubber, May	19.70	19.53	19.50	19.63	.13 up
Chicago Wheat, May	112	109	109	111	.24 up
Chicago Corn, May	64	62	62	64	.18 up
New York Hides, June	14.07	13.88	14.16	13.88	.28 off

NEW YORK COTTON Close Opening Closing Change

May	10.73/73	10.75/75	10.74/74	.01 up
July	10.45/45	10.46/47	10.45/46	.01 up
July (New contract)	10.60	10.63	10.81	.01 up
October	10.19/19	10.20/20	10.18/18	.03 off
December	10.08/08	10.07/07	10.06/06	.02 off
January	10.03/03	10.00	10.00	.03 off
March	9.95/95	9.96/95	9.93/93	.02 off
June	10.30	10.30	10.91	.01 up

Total sales Wednesday: 84,900 bales.

First notice day for cotton: 1/5/40 and last day 22/5/40.

NEW YORK RUBBER

May	19.50/52	19.55/55	19.63	.13 up
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July	18.70/70	18.75/77	18.80/80	.10 up
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September	18.43/43	18.55/60	18.53/53	.10 up
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December	18.18/19	18.31/35	18.31	.13 up
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January	18.13	N	18.27	.14 up
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Total sales: 4,150 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT

May	109/109	109/109	112/111	.24 up
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July	108/108	108/108	110/110	.2 up
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September	108/108	108/108	110/110	.24 up
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Wednesday's sales: 25,482,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

May	62/62	62/63	64/64	.18 up
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July	63/63	—	65/65	.12 up
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September	64/64	—	66/66	.18 up
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WINNIPEG WHEAT

May	90/90	90/90	91/91	1 up
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July	91	—	92/92	1 up
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October	93	—	94/94	1 up
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NEW YORK HIDES

June	14.16/16	14.04/07	13.88/88	.28 off
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September	14.42/43	14.34/37	14.15/18	.27 off
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December	14.70/70	14.53/48	14.38/39	.32 up
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New York Official	34-3/4	—	34-3/4	—
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NY-London Cross Rate	349-5/8	—	351-1/2	—
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—bid. —ex. div.

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1939/40	High	Low	Close	Change
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1939/40	121.41	120.3
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S.S. HANYANG LAUNCHED AT TAIKOO DOCKS

The Taikoo Dockyard and Engineering Co. of Hongkong, Ltd. successfully launched the s.s. Hanyang, the first of three vessels building for the China Navigation Co., Ltd., on Thursday evening. The "christening" ceremony was gracefully performed by Mrs. C. C. Roberts, wife of the local manager of Butterfield & Swire, and witnessed by an interested launching party.

FINE ACCOMMODATION

A single-screw, passenger and cargo vessel, the "Hanyang" has the following particulars:—Length B.P. 298'0"; Breadth 44'0"; Depth moulded to upper deck 25'0"; Gross Tonnage 2,800; Deadweight approx. 3,000 tons.

The accommodation for passengers is arranged in single and double state rooms, on the upper and promenade decks, and will be all one class. A tastefully laid out lounge has been arranged at the fore end of the promenade deck with a main stairway leading down to the dining saloon on the upper deck, and throughout the officers and passengers accommodation, the Thermo-tank heating and ventilating system has been introduced, and should prove a distinct feature, of this ship.

MACHINERY

The machinery space is situated amidships and consists of one set of inverted, direct-acting surface condensing, triple expansion N.E.M. re-heater engine, built by Taikoo under licence from Messrs. The North Eastern Marine Engineering Co., Ltd., with a normal output of 1,350 I.H.P. Steam is generated in two multitudinous return-tube type boilers, arranged to burn coal under Howden's system of forced draught and fitted with "Nemco" combustion chamber type superheaters.

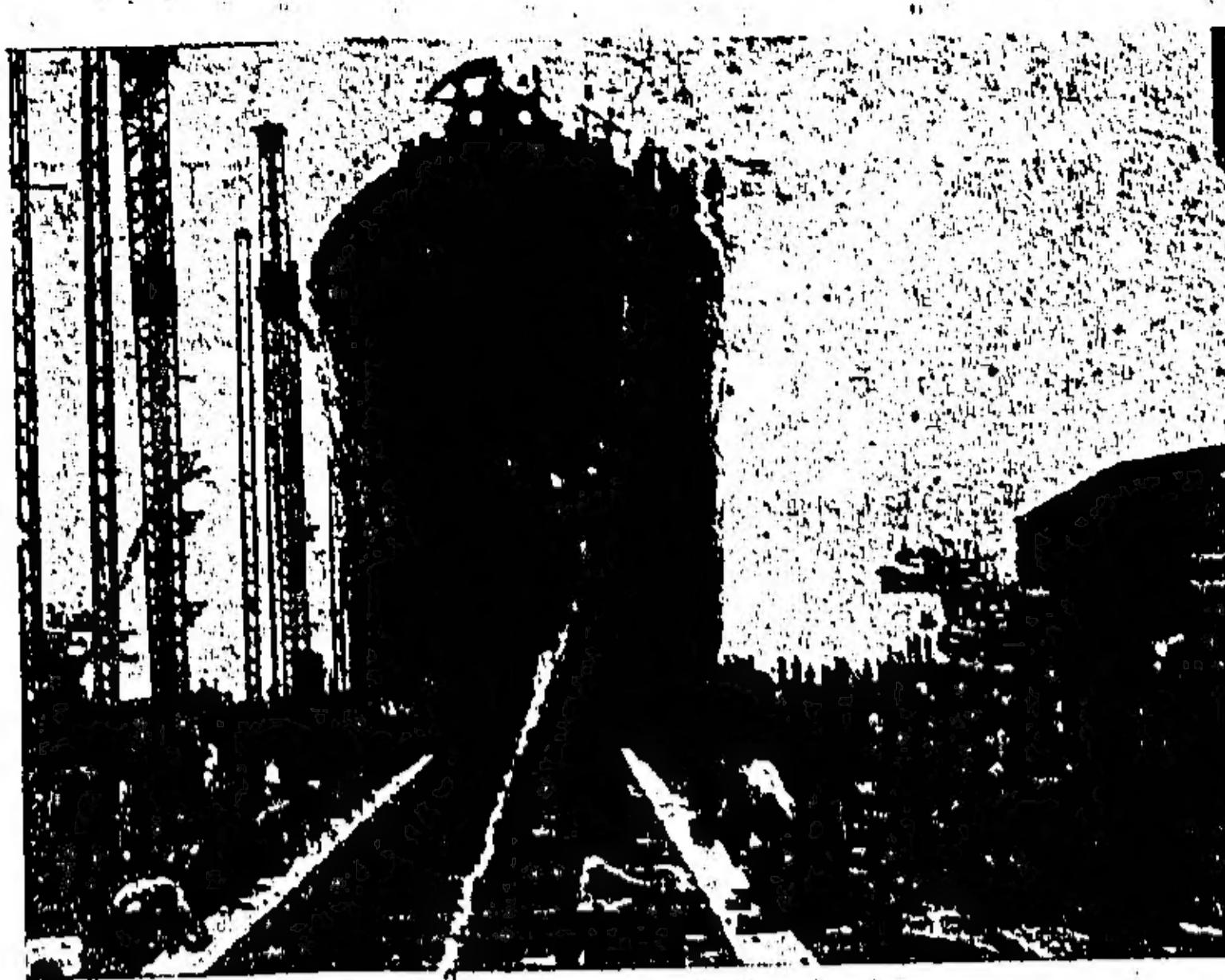
NO RESUMPTION OF SERVICE

Reports that the China Merchants Steam Navigation Co. will resume its coastal shipping service are denied in authoritative quarters.

These quarters point out that four of the Company's coastal ships were lying at anchor in Hongkong. After the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities they were sold to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. in 1938 and two other ships ordered from America prior to the war were also sold to foreign shipping concerns last month.

The Company will not likely resume its shipping service before the war is concluded.

CANBERRA, Apr. 19 (Reuter)—Australian shipyards are working at a maximum capacity building anti-submarine trawlers suitable for mine-sweeping in British waters.



The Hanyang which was launched on Thursday by the Taikoo Dockyard and Engineering Company. She is the first of three vessels building for the China Navigation Co., Ltd. The christening ceremony was performed by Mrs. C. C. Roberts, wife of the local manager of Butterfield & Swire.

MORE BRITISH TONNAGE

LONDON, April 19 (Reuter)—Sir Arthur Salter of the Ministry of Shipping said last night that allowing for new construction, capture and purchase, Britain has well over ninety-nine per cent as much tonnage as at the outbreak of war.

Our average monthly rate of loss up to now has been eighty-eight thousand tons compared with 154,000 over the whole four years of the last war.

Losses to the German merchant navy, by capture, sinking or scuttling, has been three times as great as the British loss and has amounted to one-tenth of the German total tonnage.

Danish vessels in Danish ports had fallen under German control but the great bulk of Danish ships, and almost all Norwegian ships, are happily elsewhere, and can continue upon their lawful occasions. We are bound to take measures to prevent the German orders being obeyed, and Danish ships earning money for the Germans.

The Swainby was engaged in shipping iron ore and had reached Narvik a few hours after the German occupation. She was accompanied by the steamer Nyanza.

The latter's captain was suspicious of the pilot who looked a German. The pilot took the Swainby, in first and no further news of her was received until last night.

Meantime, the Nyanza was warned by a Polish destroyer and departed.

BELGRADE, April 19 (Reuter)—A Yugo-Slavian trade mission is leaving here soon for Moscow to discuss a trade treaty between Yugo-Slavia and Soviet Russia. The news of this has come as a surprise to the Yugo-Slavian people.

LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON, April 19 (Reuter)—In the Stock Exchange Eastern Bonds declined from one to two points on international stresses. Elsewhere trading in small movements were irregular. The cotton company of J. and P. Coats showed profits of £2,188,000 as compared with £1,555,000 of the previous year. Wall Street was irregular

WEATHER REPORT

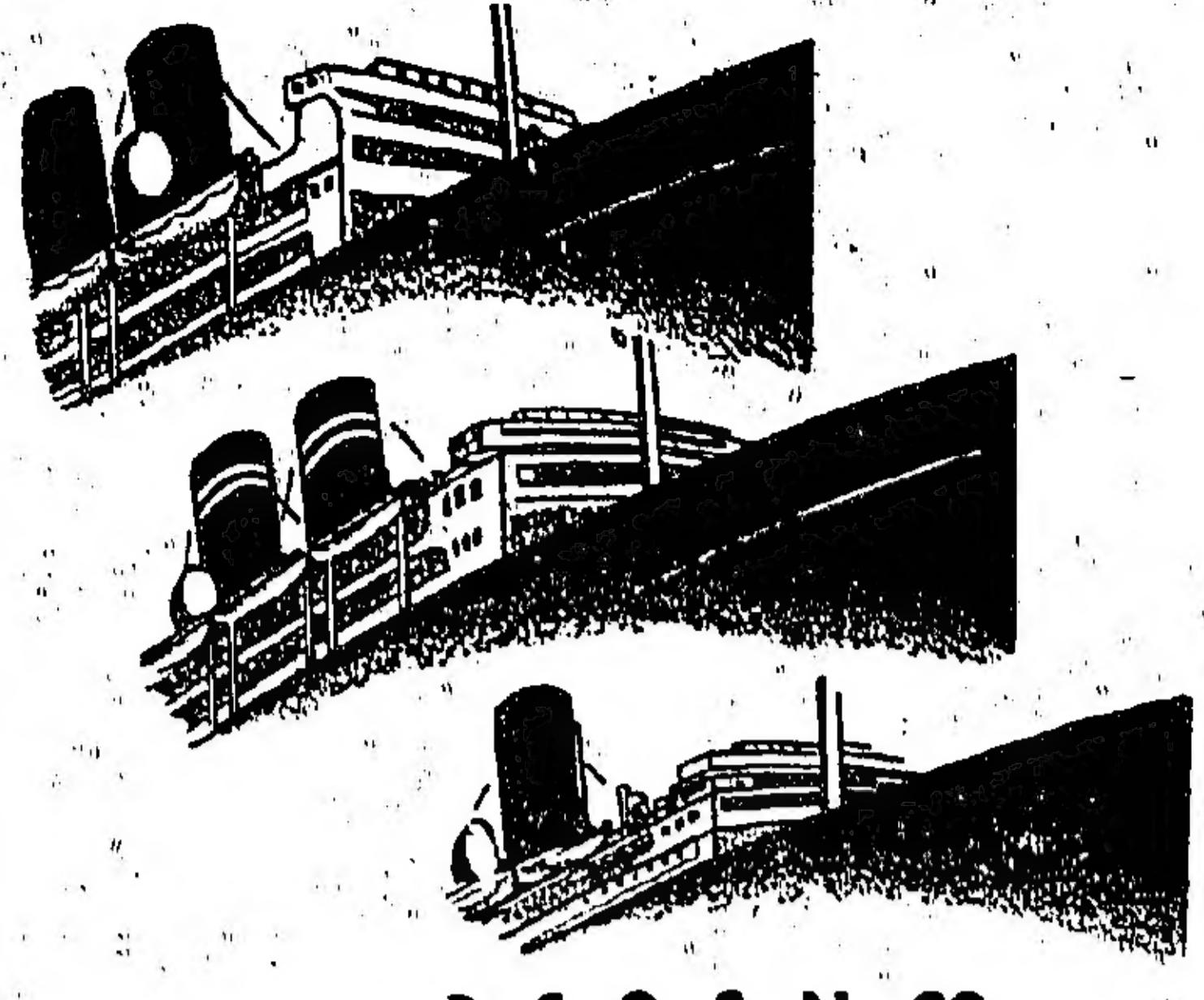
Hongkong Royal Observatory
10 a.m., April 19.
Barometer (at sea level), 30.05 ins.
Temperature, 69 F.
Humidity, 98 per cent.
Wind Direction, E.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.
Temperature, maximum yesterday, 72 F.
Temperature, minimum last night, 67 F.
Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, nil.
Total rainfall since January 1st 16.57 ins.
Against an average of 9.15 ins.
Sunset tonight, 6.45 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 6 a.m.

4 p.m., April 19.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.97 ins.
Temperature, 68 F.
Humidity, 98 per cent.
Wind Direction, E.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.
Maximum temperature, 72 F.
Minimum temperature, 67 F.
Rainfall, 0.01.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 20 to 26 Apr. 1940.

Day Week	Date	Mond.	High Water		Low Water	
			Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Sat.	20		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
			07 50	5 9	01 35	1 8
			20 20	6 1	14 00	2 1
Sun.	21		08 30	6 4	02 15	1 9
			21 18	6 0	14 50	1 6
Mon.	22		09 08	6 7	02 45	2 1
			22 19	5 9	15 36	1 1
Tues.	23		09 41	7 1	03 24	2 4
			23 05	6 5	16 23	0 8
Wed.	24		10 20	7 3	03 55	2 7
			23 59	6 2	17 10	0 8
Thurs.	25		10 55	7 2	04 25	2 9
			24 55	6 7	17 55	0 9
Fri.	26		00 53	4 7	04 58	3 3
			11 30	7 0	18 46	1 2



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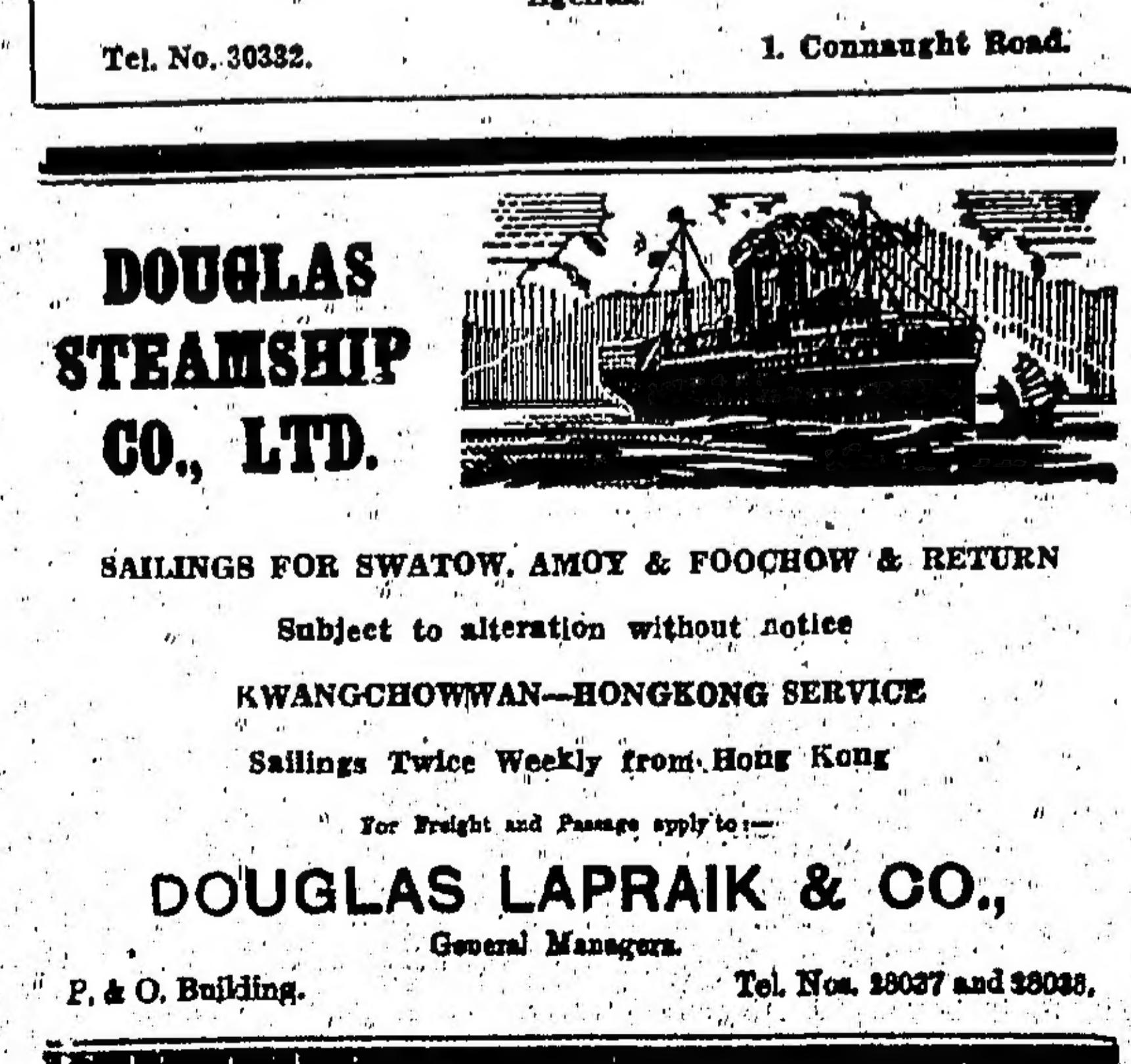
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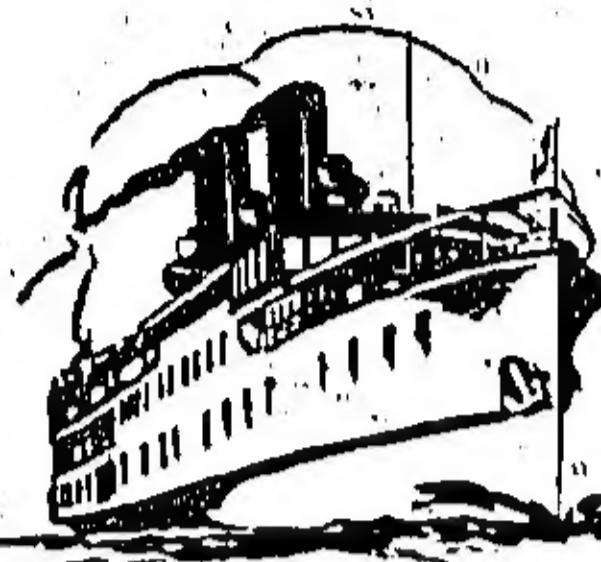
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HEROIC NAZI (SAYS GOEBBELS) FIGHT AGAINST BRITISH NAVY

LONDON, Apr. 19 (Reuters) — The Berlin High Command have issued their version of the naval battle at Narvik, describing it as the "full story of the heroic fight of light German naval forces off Narvik."

This version states that German destroyers commanded by Commodore Bonke (who was subsequently reported to be killed) entered the West Fjord in darkness and most unfavourable weather.

On April 9 at the appointed time they were in position at Narvik. Two Norwegian armoured ships in harbour dislodged the "German order not to resist and opened fire against the Germans. They were sunk.

RETREAT DESCRIBED

Not before the last shell had been fired did the German ships withdraw into an interior part of the Fjord.

Now the German ships concentrated on saving as much material and as many soldiers as possible for the defence of Narvik.

In order to cover the disembarkation of the German crews, one destroyer was placed across the narrow fjord and this, under heavy fire of the enemy, used the remainder of the ammunition to keep the enemy back.

The superior enemy forces, therefore, were unable to sink a single German ship so long as she had not fired the last round of ammunition," the communiqué stated.

On April 13 British forces, which

E. K. INDIAN SCHOOL SPORTS

An enjoyable afternoon of sports was had by all boys and their parents when the Ellis Kadoorie Indian School held their 20th annual sports at the Indian Recreation Club yesterday.

Mr. G. P. Ferguson, Headmaster of the school, before calling upon Mrs. O. Ismail to give away the prizes, said that he would like to thank the Committee and members of the Indian Recreation Club for the loan of the ground, the staff, for hard work they put in, and to all those who had contributed to the prizes.

The following were the results:

SENIOR EVENTS
High Jump: 1. Narata Singh; 2. M. Moosa, 220 Yards: 1. M. Moosa; 2. A. Abbas. Three-Legged Race: 1. A. Abbas and M. Moosa; 2. Ibrahim Mohd. and Salim Ghafoor. Kicking the Football: 1. Albert Ahmed; 2. A. Abbas, 100 Yards: M. Moosa; 2. A. Abbas, Half Mile: 1. Pritam Singh; 2. Kartar Singh; 3. Chatter Singh. Sack Race: 1. A. G. Hyder; 2. M. Moosa. Arithmetic Race: 1. Salim Ghafoor; 2. M. R. Ali; 3. S. S. Bux. One Mile: 1. Kartar Singh; 2. Pritam Singh; 3. Chatter Singh. Relay Race (Classes 5, 6 and 7): Class 7. Consolation Race: 1. A. S. Din; 2. Adam; 3. Gurumukh Singh.

JUNIOR EVENTS

High Jump: 1. Gurbachan Singh; 2. Kassim Ali; 220 Yards: 1. Gurbachan Singh; 2. Ram Nath. Three Legged Race: 1. Gurbachan Singh and Karpal Singh; 2. Rumjahn Said and S. S. Bux. Kicking the Football: 1. Ram Nath; 2. A. Haroon. Class 10 Race: Handicapped, 1. Kashmir Singh; 2. Tahir Bhow; 3. Kamis Saleh, 100 Yards: 1. Gurbachan Singh; 2. M. Ebrahim, 400 Yards: 1. Gurbachan Singh; 2. Jagit Singh; 3. Krishna Lall. Sack Race: 1. A. Haroon; 2. A. C. Bux. Arithmetic Race: 1. Juman Khan; 2. Kasmir Ali; 3. Hardayal Singh. Consolation Race: 1. Karpal Singh; 2. M. Yusuf; 3. Allah Ditta.

Old Boys (220 yards): 1. Ajab Singh; 2. Omar Rahman.

Senior Championship: M. Moosa; Junior: Gurbachan Singh.

STATE OF SIEGE

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catastrophe threatening them all.

"There could be no question of our entering into a confidential contact with both sides and still less with one side on the supposition that the other might attack us."

"We rely entirely on ourselves," he concluded.

CONTROL CARDS

AMSTERDAM, Apr. 19 (Reuters) — In Holland foreigners must possess control cards by May 1, giving personal details and information about their visit to the country.

Ships wishing to remain for a length of time in Dutch ports, which a state of siege is in force, must also obtain permits.

IN RUMANIA

BUDAPEST, Apr. 19 (Reuters) — Rumania is exercising strict control of foreigners in the country.

Within the next 24 hours all foreigners must present their passports to the police and must leave the country when their visas expire.

Visas will be extended only in exceptional circumstances.

Cage Game At "Y" Tonight

CHUNG HWA TO PLAY SCHOOLS

At the Chinese YMCA this evening the Chung Hwa Girls' Basketball team, which arrived from Manlia on Thursday, will meet a team representing the Colony's Girls' school and judging by the respective strength of the teams, a good game should result.

Mr. C. C. Lim, manager of the Chung Hwa team, in an interview yesterday, said he felt confident

his girls would give a good account of themselves though

he said the smallness of the "Y" ground might

affect their play, and also the fact that they play "according to girls' rules here."

Asked what he meant by that, Mr. Lim said that in the Philippines where his team won the Double Tenth League for two years running, there was no difference in the rules in men's and ladies' basketball matches—the time factor was the same whereas in Hongkong the girls played a shorter game.

Mr. Lim took a girls team to the United States from Manlia in 1929

and said that if plans worked out according to schedule they will visit Java after their stay here.

U.S. BASEBALL RESULTS

NEW YORK, Apr. 19 (Reuters) — The following were the results of games played yesterday in the Major Leagues.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

R. H. E.

Chicago 1 5 2

Cincinnati 2 8 0

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston 7 9 1

(Bagby homered).

Washington 0 5 1

St. Louis 2 7 0

Detroit 4 7 0

Greenberg and Gehringer homered.

No other games were played in both Leagues owing to rain and cold.

Y.M.C.A. HOCKEY CLUB DANCE

The Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club's end-of-season cabaret supper

dance at the Peninsula Hotel last night proved a very enjoyable affair there being about 200 people present.

The evening was enlivened by a

number of enjoyable cabaret items given by Pauline Strange,

Nina Jordan, Ernie Fowler and

Ernest Perry.

Art Carneiro's Dance Band was

in attendance and the crooning

of Yvonne won warm applause.

The Y.M.C.A. hockey season will

end officially this afternoon when

two games will be played at King's

Park, Civilian Members' meeting

Service Members and the 2nd XI

playing "Y" Ladies.

SAYS GOEBBELS) FIGHT

Eastern Wins Again

MANILA, Apr. 19 (Reuters) — La Salle College bowed to the Eastern Athletic Association last night in the last 15 minutes of the game, during which the visitors scored three goals resulting in a 5-2 victory for the Eastern.

Eastern opened the scoring but La Salle were leading at the interval by 2 goals to 1.

The visitors were extremely fast and enthusiastic and had two goals disallowed for off-sides.

La Salle tired in the closing stages as the Hongkong pressed hard during the exciting game.

The match was witnessed by 13,000.

H.K. GOLF CLUB STARTING TIMES FOR FANLING

The Royal Hongkong Golf Club

starting times for Fanling tomorrow are as follows:

OLD COURSE

A.M.

9:15 A. Sommerfelt, A. T. Lay

9:20 A. D. Humphreys, W. N. A. Smalley

9:24 R. C. Gardner, D. Humphreys

9:28 A. C. Meredith, A. M. Mack

9:32 R. J. Shrigley, F. C. Young

9:34 G. M. Park, L. R. Andrews

9:44 S. H. Dodwell, K. S. Morrison

9:48 R. P. Morris, H. A. Mills

9:48 M. L. Reidy, H. C. Watson

9:52 A. B. Purves, T. Megarry

9:56 A. C. I. Bowker, G. A. L. Plummer

10:00 A. H. Perin, S. A. Sleap

10:04 J. B. Harrison, L. A. R. Duncan

10:08 Col. Holt, Wing Cdr. Steele

Perkins

10:12 L. M. S. Lloyd, L. R. Cramer

10:16 R. Young, S. L. Lloyd

10:20 A. S. Allison, H. J. D. Lowe

10:24 G. T. Harrington, J. Redman

10:28 A. N. and Q. A. A. Macfadyen

10:32 H. N. Williamson, R. G. Parker

10:36 H. F. Phillips, J. S. Dunnett

10:40 G. Dodds, G. Thomerson

10:44 C. E. Sandstrom, J. W. Maynew

10:48 A. McKellar, J. Linaker

10:52 G. W. Behrman, W. G. Robertson

10:56 M. Pollock, F. A. M. Elliott

11:00 J. Hackney, J. L. Oswald

11:04 X. Williams, Surg. Cdr. Nicholson

NEW COURSE

9:24 Mrs. Humphreys, Mrs. Smalley

9:32 Mrs. Dennis, Miss French

10:40 W. Park, J. W. Anderson

10:52 Mrs. Behrman, Mrs. Robert

son.

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